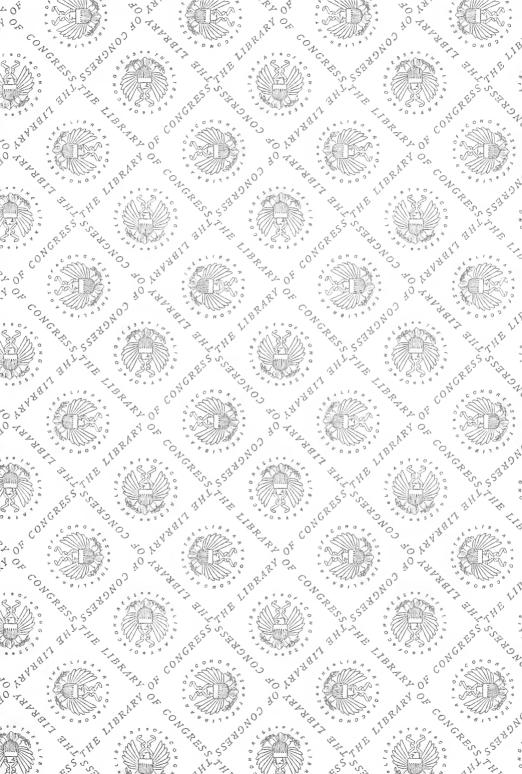
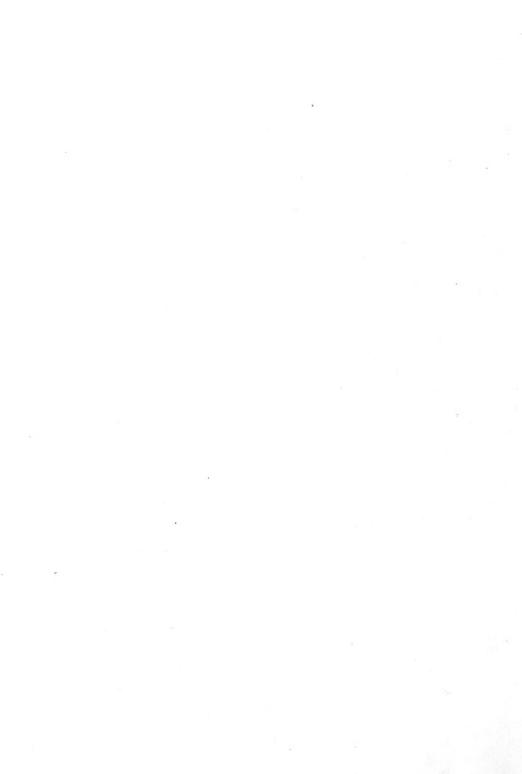
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# SKYLAND

4,000 FEET ABOVE THE SEA

THE RUSTIC GEM OF THE BLUE RIDGE



# Skyland

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4,000 Feet in the Blue



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INTELLIGENT companionship, jolly times, beautiful rugged mountains, woods and glens, peaks and deep canyons, mountain streams, horses for riding; camps, dances, out-of-doors frolics, old clothes or not, as you please, mix or hold your peace; all that makes up a life of wide-awake interest, freedom from petty restraints—THAT'S SKYLAND. You'll be welcome for a meal, a day, a month, or all summer. : : : : : : :

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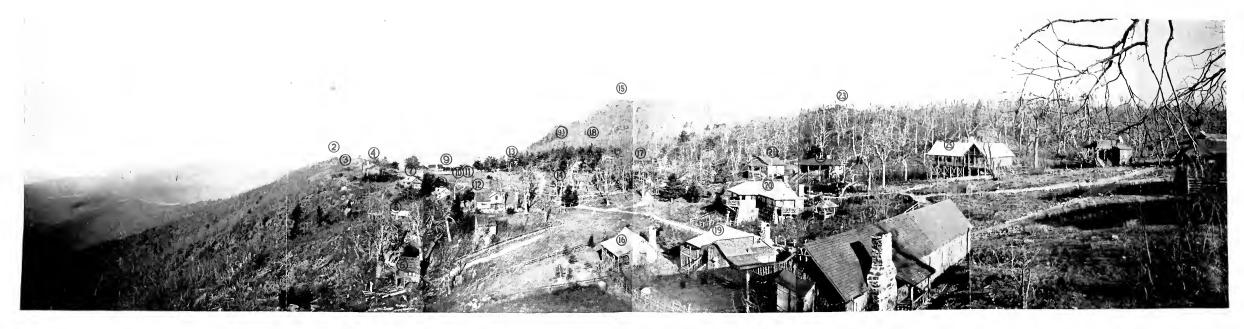
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Note.—While this picture gives a general idea of the "Camp," it actually shows only 17 of the 50 Cottages at Skyland, others being hidden by distance or trees

### General View of Skyland, taken in Late Fall to better show Position of Cottages and the Delightful Situation of Camp

- 1. Shenandoah Valley, 3,000 feet below Camp level 4. Sunset Rock Cottage
- 2. Judd Cottages
- 3. Valley View Group of Cottages

- 7. Cliff Cottage
- 5. Kettle Canyon Lookout
- 6. Acetylene Gas Plant
- 8. Seymour Cottage
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- 19. Tremellen Cottage
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- 21. Alabama Cottage
- 22. The "Annex"
- 23. Water Works

- 24. Highland Cottage 25. Peter Pan Cottage
- 26. "Camp View" "Seminole Lodge" "Wayside Cottage"



# At Skyland

You
Will
Gain
Health
and
Strength

#### YOU WILL SEE

The Spectacular Indian Pow-wow.

The Native Mountaineers.

The World-Famous Luray Caverns.

Wonderful Fairy-like Sunsets and Cloud Effects. Towering Mountain Peaks and Frowning Cliffs.

The Shenandoah Valley, 3,600 Feet Below.

The Unsurpassed "Cascades of White Oak Can-yon."

The Skyland Park contains over 6,000 acres of virgin forest, and has within its boundaries several miles of beautiful trout streams. This beautiful park is preserved in its original wild state, and being controlled and owned by G. Freeman Pollock, the Proprietor, will be kept in its present condition for the use of the guests.

Nowhere in America will you find a place like Skyland.

A Rustic Village invites you.

If you will read this booklet through it will answer all questions relative to Skyland, how to secure accommodations in advance, how to get there, what it costs, how to see the Luray Caverns, either coming or going, what clothes to bring, etc., etc.

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LOOKING FROM STONY MAN PEAK, TWENTY MINUTES' WALK FROM SKYLAND

#### Location

T the summit of the highest mountain in the State of Virginia, and in the most picturesque portion of the Blue Ridge, is located Skyland, just nine miles east of the town of Luray, where are the famous Luray Caverns. No resort in the eastern United States can boast of more beautiful scenic surroundings than Skyland, situated as it is on the top of a lofty mountain, with seas of undulating mountain peaks stretching away as far as the eye can reach. From Skyland is seen a beautiful view of the Shenandoah Valley, 3,600 feet below.

#### Scenery and Surroundings

A few steps from the Dining Hall is a point known as "The Sunset Cliff," from which a magnificent view may be had. In every direction are fine panoramic views of mountain and valley. About two miles away is a mountain stream which dashes down a deep canyon, and here are seen the "Cascades of White Oak Canyon." The scenery here is fine, indeed. Before reaching the cascades the roaring of the water can be heard as it plunges over the precipices into the deep gorges below. This stream is five miles in length, forming no less than eight beautiful falls from fifty to one hundred feet in height—a truly grand and inspir-

ing sight. This series of waterfalls, in the deep recesses of the mountains, far from any human habitation, is as unmolested by the hand of man as it was, perhaps, thousands of years ago. Many travelers declare the scenery of White Oak Canyon surpasses that of Watkins Glen, N. Y.

#### Stony Man Mountain Peak

This, the loftiest and most rugged of all the famous mountain peaks in the vicinity, rears its towering top of cliffs and rocks onequarter of a mile away and only twenty minutes' walk from Skyland.



SHOWING THE MASSANUTTON GAP IN DISTANCE

The view from this point beggars description and is indeed magnificent. This high peak as seen from Skyland, with the green of its mountain pines, the broad faces and serrated edges of its rock cliffs now gleaming in the sunlight, now halved by drifting cloud effects, forms a picture whose beauty must be seen to be appreciated.

An excellent road has been built to the very top of the peak and guests can now drive to the edge of the cliffs if they prefer this to walking.

#### Description of Skyland

Skyland has established an excellent reputation through all the Eastern States. It has been the aim to create a resort differing in many respects from any other resort in the country. Believing that

there is a great demand for just such a resort as Skyland and knowing of the unusual beauties of Stony Man Mountain, its high location, wonderful pure springs, unsurpassed scenic attractions, and its nearness to the great cities of the East, and especially to the cities of Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, and New York, Mr. Pollock decided that no more suitable place could be found for the resort desired. After several years had elapsed, spent in acquiring and perfecting title to the 6,000 acres which comprise the Stony Man Mountain lands, in the center of which Skyland is located, the actual work was begun of constructing the road up the mountain, creating gardens and pastures and erecting buildings.

#### The Famous Furnace Spring

This spring is only a short walk from the Dining Hall and within the park. It is justly reputed the "Best Spring in the Blue Ridge." Its health-giving properties have become famous, and every summer many hundreds of people drive up the mountain from Luray and vicinity to drink of its waters. WATER FROM THIS SPRING IS NOW USED EXCLUSIVELY IN THE DINING HALL and is also obtained from hydrants located at convenient places about the grounds.

NO PERSON SUFFERING FROM TUBERCULOSIS IN ANY FORM NEED APPLY FOR ACCOMMODATIONS.

#### Cabins and Bungalows

Cabins and bark-covered bungalows are situated in a grove of trees near the foot of a rugged bluff and only a short distance from the Dining Hall, and also along the edge of the cliff overlooking the valley, 3,600 feet below. Some of the bungalows are also located around the "Campus," where are located the lawn-tennis courts, while others are on the sloping sides of ridges commanding magnificent views. Some are very near the Dining Hall and some at quite a distance away. Scattered through the grounds are rustic seats and benches and other conveniences for the comfort of guests. All of the bungalows have rustic porches large enough for a card game or for hanging hammocks.





"GREY CONE" BUNGALOW-FRONT

#### The Camp

Skyland and Stony Man Camp consist of a group of artistic logcabins and bark-covered bungalows, a large rustic dining hall, with a seating capacity of 200 people, a rustic amusement hall for dances and entertainments, several lawn-tennis courts, a rifle range for target practice, a livery stable of saddle horses, several bath-houses, and a fine swimming pool.

There are over fifty cabins and bungalows, and more are being erected every year. Quite a few of these cost upwards of a thousand dollars to build, while others cost only a few hundred. All are comfortable, are ceiled inside with hardwood or poplar, with oak floors

and stone fireplaces.

The Dining Hall and grounds are lighted with acetylene gas, the bath-houses being furnished with porcelain-lined tubs, with an abundance of hot and cold water. The sanitary arrangements are complete and up to date. The bungalows vary in size from those which have only one room, to large, fine cabins accommodating six or eight people. The choicest accommodations are often engaged before the opening of the season. It would be well for those desiring to reserve rooms or cottages for the months of June, July and August, and the first half of September, to write some time in advance.

A DEPOSIT OF \$10.00 FOR EACH PERSON WILL SECURE THE RESERVATION OF ANY PARTICULAR ROOM.

When a choice bungalow is to be reserved for the full season a deposit of from \$50.00 to \$100.00 will be required.



SOUTH ENTRANCE TO THE "DINING HALL" (TAKEN IN WINTER)



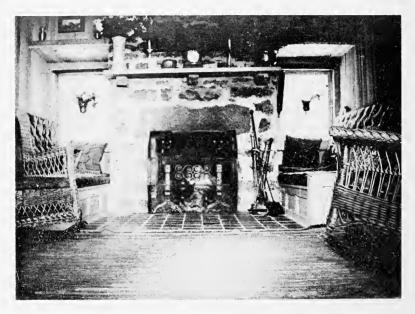
CORNER IN DINING ROOM AT SKYLAND

It is best to write in advance, specifying the accommodations required, but it is not absolutely necessary, and guests who arrive without previous arrangement will be provided with the best available rooms exactly as in any hotel. Rooms in cottages convenient to the Dining Hall are kept for transient guests. Whenever it is possible it is wise to make sure of accommodations by writing ahead.

In July and August accommodations should, if possible, be engaged

in advance to avoid disappointment.

The cabins all have large open fireplaces with rustic mantels; they are comfortably furnished. The beds are white enameled iron, with the



TYPICAL FIREPLACE IN CABIN

best Burnstein springs and extra fine quality felt mattresses, and will be found most comfortable.

The majority of the bungalows do not have toilets and baths inside each house, but are in the near vicinity of bath and toilet buildings. In these houses the chambermaids fill the water pitchers in each bedroom several times a day. The bath-houses have boilers in connection with them and an ample supply of hot water is always available.

QUITE A NUMBER OF THE COTTAGES ARE FULLY EQUIPPED WITH MODERN BATH-ROOMS NICELY FITTED UP WITH EVERY CONVENIENCE. The water is heated by an ingenious arrangement of coils of pipe, which are placed in the back of the fireplaces. Thus the fire which gives you warmth and comfort in the living room also keeps up the hot-water supply.

At the sounding of the rising bugle a number of the Camp employees visit the various cabins and build the fires and pile upon the porches a supply of fire-wood within convenient reach. These boys also visit each cottage twice daily, BRINGING A FRESH SUPPLY OF SPARKLING ICE-COLD WATER FROM THE FAMOUS "FURNACE SPRING."

If you wish health, recreation, and rest, such as you have never experienced before, you will make no mistake in visiting this unique resort.

#### Camp Trips and Excursion Points Around Skyland

Excursions, under the guidance of competent guides, are frequently organized to go to various points of interest, such as "The Old Rag Mountain," "Crescent Rock," "Hawksbill Head," "Fork Mountain," "Kettle Canyon," "Rose River Falls," "Dark Hollow Copper Mine," "Ida Copper Mine," "Free State Hollow and The Hughes River," "The Corbin House on Broken Back Run," "Little Stony Man," "Bushy Top and Miller's Head," and other points which can be reached by short excursions on foot or on horseback. The views to be had from these several places are varied and not to be surpassed anywhere east of the Rocky Mountains.

Besides these mentioned points of interest are "The Parks Cabin," "The Dodson Cabin," "Dry Run Falls," "The Black Cliffs," "Frank-



LOOKING NORTH TOWARDS MARY'S ROCK

lin Cliffs," "Lightning Rock," "The Cathedral Giant Hemlocks," "Glen Beulah and Misu's Rest," "The Dyar Mountain Ranche," "The

Big Meadows" and "The Sugar Camp."

Most of these tramps can be taken without guides, and guests can get detailed instructions as to the trails at the Skyland office. If guests desire the services of a special guide, such guides will be furnished by application at the office. Charges for a guide are \$3.00 for all day or \$1.50 for half a day.



MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED FALLS AND CASCADES AS FINE
AS THIS WITHIN FOUR MILES OF SKYLAND

Where there are several in a party the cost of the guide is divided

up and becomes quite small.

As there are guests taking walks almost every day, the new arrival who is unacquainted should make inquiry at the office as to what trips are going out each morning. It is seldom necessary to employ a guide, as guests acquainted with the trail will show the way. Many of the tramps can be taken by any one without a guide, and the country is perfectly safe at all times.



"LOOKING DOWN ON THE CLOUDS" FROM THE CLIFF NEAR DINING HALL, SKYLAND



"BRIDAL VEIL" WATERFALL, IN WHITE OAK CANYON, SKYLAND

## Camping Parties to White Oak Canyon and "Old Rag" Mountain Peak

Every few weeks small camping parties leave Skyland with a guide and a cook and a camping outfit. After a three hours' tramp, reaching the foot of White Oak Canyon, camp is struck on the banks of a beautiful trout stream. Here the party spend the balance of the day and the following night, starting on the return trip early the next morning, and spending the entire day in seeing the wonders of this beautiful canyon, with its series of cascades and wonderful waterfalls, its deep gorges, towering precipices, giant trees and other natural beauties. In the deep pools at the foot of the various waterfalls one can take most delightful baths in the cool, clear water.

To cover the expenses of these all-night camping parties a charge

of \$3.00 per person is made.

Several times each season camping trips are made under the personal supervision of Mr. Pollock to the top of the Old Rag Mountain. The party arrives there at about four o'clock in the afternoon, leaving Skyland at about ten-thirty in the morning. Camp is struck on top of the Old Rag and supper served by twilight. (See picture on page 15.) Comfortable beds of blankets are provided and it is a wonderful experience to sleep amid the towering rocks of this rugged mountain peak on a beautiful moonlight night. At four-thirty a. m. the party are wakened to see the sun rise and hot coffee is served. Then the trip down the Old Rag to a mountaineer's cabin, where is served a delicious breakfast. After breakfast it is a nice jaunt back to Skyland, five miles distant. The Old Rag trip requires a mountaineer to carry the blankets and camping outfit for each person. The charge for this trip including breakfast at the mountaineer's cabin is \$4.50. The distance from Skyland to the top of Old Rag Mountain is seven miles and only those who are used to mountain climbing should undertake the trip. Saddle horses can be used from Skyland to the mountaineer's cabin at the foot of the Rag Mountain, and left there until the next morning when they are used again for the return trip. Of course, the charge for saddle horses is extra.

When picnic parties wish to visit the canyon or to go elsewhere for the day, luncheons are furnished at 35 cents for each person. Guests desiring luncheons prepared will kindly notify the office clerk the evening before so that the luncheon may be ready and packed immediately after breakfast the following morning without any delay. Oftentimes guests desire to take blankets and go out for an all-night trip themselves without guides or carrier. In cases of this kind a charge is made of 50 cents for each pair of blankets taken along, to cover the cost

of laundering the blankets after the return.

A full day should be given to the trip to the "Lower Falls" and a guide taken along by those who are unaccustomed to mountain climbing.



READY TO SERVE SUPPER ON TOP OF "OLD RAG" MOUNTAIN ON ALL-NIGHT CAMPING TRIP (SEE PAGE 14)



"KETTLE CANYON" IS OVER TWO THOUSAND FEET DEEP AND EASILY REACHED FROM SKYLAND. THE CLIMB OUT OF THE CANYON IS DIFFICULT AND DANGEROUS EXCEPT TO EXPERT MOUNTAIN CLIMBERS. THE ABOVE SHOWS THE MANNER OF CLIMBING OUT OF THE "KETTLE"

#### Amusements and Social Features

The social features of Skyland are one of its chief attractions. To those whose health will not permit of much social recreation, the groves around Skyland offer inviting places for swinging hammocks where always the cool breezes blow; and so scattered are the cabins that one need never be disturbed by the noises made by the young people at their dances, etc. To those who visit Skyland for recreation as well as health, it offers many opportunities. Almost every night is productive of some sort of entertainment. One is never dull, for the amusements are varied and original. The guests are a set of congenial spirits, who enter enthusiastically into any fun,



A START FOR ALL-NIGHT CAMP

from songs and stories around a camp-fire to organized picnics on foot or horseback to some beautiful place in the neighborhood. There are many interesting and unique entertainments each season, such as the "Annual Masquerade Ball." the

"Flower Ball," the "Big Camp-fire" (300 cords of wood burning at one time), with its original features never seen elsewhere, out-of-doors corn roasts, and watermelon camp-fires.

These afford a constant succession of events sufficient to satisfy even those who find it necessary for their happiness to be amused all the time.

Lawn tennis is a special feature, and there are at the present time three good courts provided.

Trap-shooting at clay pigeons has been added to the other attractions at Skyland, and every Saturday morning competitive matches will be held. The traps are located on "The Cliff," amidst beautiful surroundings. No charge is made for the use of the traps except for the ammunition and clay pigeons used.



SHOOTING CLAY PIGEONS ON "THE CLIFF"

A rifle range has been provided for practice and matches.

Sunrise and moonrise parties often go to the Stony Man Peak to witness the beautiful cloud effects, the fairy-like sunsets and moon shadows.

Regular dances take place in the pavilion every Wednesday and Saturday evening from July 1st to September 15th.

Beginning on the first Friday evening in July and continuing on each Friday night throughout the season there are held card parties in "Amusement Hall." Some of the guests play Auction Bridge, while others play Five Hundred. These card games are not progressive, but the tables as arranged play for the highest score at each table. Prizes are awarded to the winner of the highest score at each table, and an additional prize for the highest first and second score at Bridge and for the highest first and second score at Five Hundred. At eleven o'clock the playing stops and supper is served. No charge is made for the supper, but guests who play contribute 35 cents each to cover the cost of the prizes.

SEVERAL NIGHTS OF EACH WEEK AN ORCHESTRAL CONCERT IS GIVEN IN THE AMUSEMENT HALL, with varied programmes of popular and classical music. These concerts have proved most popular and are always well attended. The personnel of the Skyland string orchestra numbers among its members some of the best musicians in Washington, D. C.



TENNIS COURTS AT SKYLAND



ON THE RECENTLY CONSTRUCTED BRIDLE ROAD TO "CRESCENT ROCK," WHERE THE ROAD FOR A MILE PASSES THROUGH THE "LIMBERLOST SWAMP"

#### Horseback Riding and Driving at Skyland

There are over 100 miles of bridle paths suitable for horseback riding, leading in every direction from Skyland, and during the last year over ten miles of beautiful driveways have been built, so that those who do not care to either walk or ride can drive in comfort to the Peake, to White Oak Canyon, and to Crescent Rock Cliffs. New driveways are being constructed each season. A livery is maintained with a number of saddle and driving horses so that those who do not care to take the walks can enjoy many beautiful rides and drives. This feature has just been added to Skyland's many attractions, and during the spring of 1919 many more miles of bridle paths and drives will be constructed so as to make available a number of other attractive points. One of the most interesting rides is to the Limberlost Swamp. (See picture on page 19.) Here among hundreds of acres of gigantic hemlock and spruce trees a labyrinth of bridle paths are being opened and graded so that one may explore this beautiful swamp and spend several hours in this most interesting place. Rates for saddle horses are \$2.25 for a half day or \$4.00 for a full day. For a two-seated surrey holding three people and driver with two horses, the charge is \$5.75 for a half day, except for the trip to White Oak Falls, the charge for which is \$6.75 for the round trip if made in a half day. Where a carriage and driver are wanted for the entire day the charge is \$8.00. Carriage holds three people and driver.

The livery charges for boarding horses are at the straight rate of 45 cents per feed; as all hay and grain must be hauled from Luray, no

lower rate can be considered.

#### Indian Camp-Fire and Pow-Wow

In 1916 there was given for the first time at Skyland a great Indian Pow-wow, somewhat on the order of the pow-wows which take place annually at Glacier National Park and at Lake Placid, New York. This pow-wow was arranged on a more elaborate scale than any other affair of its kind, probably ever held in the United States. A beautifully illustrated booklet describing the affair has been published, which contains many beautiful photographs and a full description of the event. This booklet is nicely bound and sells for one dollar. Copies may be had by sending to Skyland for them. The pow-wow was held in a beautiful natural amphitheater where permanent wigwams of bark had been constructed and all the accessories of a genuine Indian camp maintained. The costumes were furnished by Van Horn and Sons, the costumers of Philadelphia, and a similar pow-wow will be held each season during the last week of August. A new Indian play, with a cast of about seventy-five Indian characters, will be written for each occasion, the stories of the plays being taken from the various historical incidents in the lives of the Indian tribes who inhabited this



INDIAN WAR DANCE AS SEEN AT THE GREAT INDIAN POW-WOW HELD AT SKYLAND EACH SEASON (SEE PAGE 20)



region two hundred years ago. One cannot imagine anything more beautiful and spectacular than the scene presented at this pow-wow, the light being furnished by a dozen or more huge bonfires on the sides of the amphitheater and among the wigwams. After the play is finished the guests attending are treated to an Indian feast, at which unique dishes are served in true Indian fashion.

## Dates and Special Events at Skyland

The proprietor oftentimes receives letters from guests asking for the dates of the several special entertainments which are given annually. While the exact date of these entertainments is often regulated by the weather, as nearly as possible the dates will be as follows: There will



ANNUAL CAMP-FIRE OF SEVERAL HUNDRED CORDS OF WOOD

always be the July Lawn Tennis Tournament, beginning the first Monday after July 15th and lasting generally about four days. At the close of these tournaments and when finals are being played an outdoor Tea is held at the Tennis Courts with music by the orchestra and refreshments. The August Lawn Tennis Tournament will be held each season the first Monday after the fifteenth of August and continue until all the events have been played off. For the last four seasons these tournaments have been held under the auspices and direction of Dr. Thomas Fell, President of St. John's Mili-

tary College, at Annapolis, Maryland. Silver loving cups and other trophies are awarded the winners in the events. These tournaments are looked forward to with much interest by all tennis players, and a special and very fine silver loving cup will be awarded the winner of the singles. This particular cup will be awarded the winner of the August tournament, with the understanding that the winner of the July tournament, if he so desires, can challenge and compel him to play a series of games at Skyland immediately after the August tournament, to settle the season's championship and the winner of the special loving cup.

At the present time the Skyland championship is held by Mr. John Fell, of Annapolis, Md. He has won the championship loving cup at the last two tournaments.

The annual Floral Fancy-dress Ball will be given each season about the twentieth of July. At this affair many prizes are awarded by selected judges, the prizes being given for most original, most artistic, most beautiful, and most unique costumes arranged by the use of natural flowers, and for the most original, most artistic, most beautiful, and most unique costumes made from artificial flowers. Also a prize for the best costume made of wild flowers and prizes for the various children's costumes. There are usually over one hundred guests who participate in this ball.



RUSTIC HOUSES ON THE EDGE OF CLIFF, NEAR DINING HALL

The Masquerade Ball will take place each season on or about August 20th. A group of judges award prizes for the most beautiful, the most original, the most artistic, and the most comical costumes for both ladies and gentlemen, with special prizes for the best couple, the most comical couple, and for the best acted part; also numbers of prizes for the various children's costumes. On both of these occasions the dining room, where the balls are held, is most beautifully decorated for the occasion.



SENTINEL LODGE

Labor Day, which falls on the first Monday in September each year, is always the date selected for the great annual camp-fire. In the evening, as soon as darkness approaches, the guests assemble at the call of the bugle before the dining hall. They form a procession, all carrying Japanese lanterns and walk to the place where the fire has been prepared. The fire is composed of about three hundred cords of wood, which it has taken several weeks to collect and pile. This gigantic fire is saturated with gasoline and from a safe distance a lighted brand is hurled into its midst. With a single puff the great pile of wood, about forty feet in diameter and fully fifty feet high, bursts into flames which rise in a solid column one hundred feet high. Then follows a unique entertainment given by fully fifty colored folks who have been gathered from a colored village in the valley and who give a real exhibition of negro life as it existed "befo' de wah"—jubilee songs, camp-meeting hymns, buck and wing dancing and other



"THE DEVIL'S STAIRWAY" ON STONY MAN PEAK

specialties, which, given in the glare of the firelight amidst most picturesque surroundings, form an entertainment never to be forgotten, and the like of which cannot be seen elsewhere in this country.

On or about the twentieth of September each year is held the annual Hallowe'en Ball. The ballroom is most artistically decorated with goldenrod and other fall

flowers, while the side walls and columns are completely covered with stalks of green corn. The lights are furnished by Japanese lanterns and huge pumpkins from the garden, carved out into Jack-o'-lanterns. The guests come to the ball in sheet and pillowcase costumes, and after the dancing various Hallowe'en sports and pastimes are indulged in. Each season a new program is devised. These entertainments are given to the guests by the proprietor. Refreshments are served, the only expense to the guests being for their costumes.

## Clothing at Skyland

Many inquiries are received from those who are visiting Skyland for the first time as to what manner of clothes to bring with them.

If you expect to take the mountain tramps, be sure to have an outfit of loose, comfortable outing clothes, with a sweater for cool days, and, above all, comfortable low-heeled shoes. Experience has

demonstrated that no better shoes for tramping can be found than the regular "Boy Scout" shoes for either men or women. These shoes can be purchased in any shoe store for \$3.50 a pair. Formal evening dress is not worn at the entertainments and dances. While frequently gentlemen appear in white flannels at the dances, there are also many others who attend in ordinary business suits or sometimes even in outing clothes, as the dances are most informal.



THE SKYLAND GARDENS TAKE UP AN ACRE OF SPACE,
AND SUPPLY FLORAL DECORATION FOR THE DINING
HALL DURING THE ENTIRE SUMMER

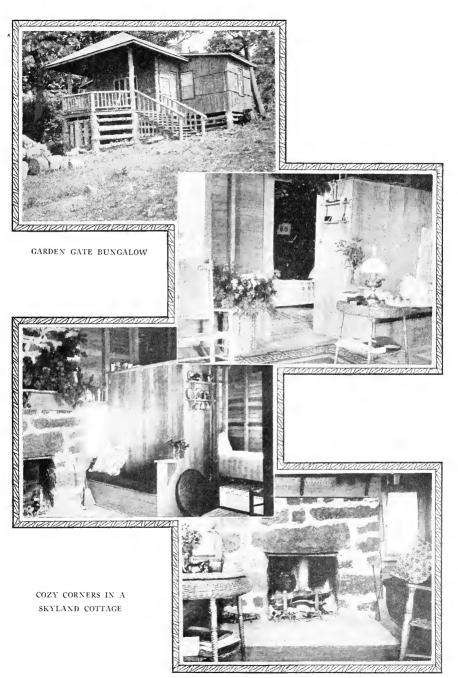
For ladies the Skyland custom makes for simplicity in evening apparel as more appropriate to the place. At the weekly dances and card parties a summer muslin or silk dress would be the usual thing, and an evening gown of the simpler sort for the larger affairs, such as the Masquerade, Flower Balls, etc., unless the wearer intends to go in costume.

It is best, if convenient, to come prepared for both warm and cool weather. This does not imply, however, winter overcoats or heavy woolen underwear, but a light overcoat or sweater is sometimes most comfortable.

Those who ride horseback will, of course, bring suitable riding clothing—the ladies here ride astride and no side saddles are used. One can get very inexpensive riding clothing consisting of either bloomers, or riding skirt with bloomers and either with or without leggings.

Arrangements are made at Skyland for the rental of a few suitable outfits for riding for ladies and guests can learn about the same by inquiring at the Skyland office.

One of Skyland's chief attractions is that one may dress as simply as one chooses without attracting attention.



## Skyland for the Children

Owing to the arrangements at Skyland, which provide for each family having a cottage of its own, it has become an ideal place for children. The splendid water, fine climate, high altitude and out-of-door life have proved most beneficial to them, and each season brings an addition to their number. Special dances and entertainments for children are provided. For the children there are a number of small ponies. Rates for ponies, \$1.00 for two hours' ride.

## The Bugle at Skyland

A fitting accompaniment to the life at Skyland, the bugle plays an important part. Each morning it arouses the guests to the delights



WILLIAM GRIGSBY, WHO HAS BEEN THE "CAMP" BUGLER FOR MANY YEARS

of another day; it summons them to the dining hall for meals, calls them together for the evening festivities, and announces the departure of the daily mail.

## Temperature

The temperature at Skyland is always moderate, and at this beautiful spot one never knows what it is to suffer from heat. The range of the thermometer is generally from 60 to 74 degrees, and never reaches as high as 85 degrees. When there are cool spells it sometimes gets as low as 50 degrees.

## Skyland Post Office

There is a U. S. post office at Skyland and a daily mail. The post office is located in the great dining hall, where it is most convenient for guests to get the evening mail, which arrives daily at 5:30, just before the supper hour. The mail leaving is closed each morning at 10 o'clock. Skyland is connected by telephone with the telegraph office at Luray, which places guests within reach of their friends and business.

In Luray is located a long-distance telephone station, connecting with Washington, D. C., and other long-distance points.

For all telegrams received and sent at Skyland over the telephone a charge of ten cents is made.

## The Skyland Gardens and Table

These gardens are the wonder and admiration of all who behold them. The vegetables grow to remarkable size and are of such excellent flavor and quality, owing to the fine soil and other favorable conditions, as to have established a reputation far and wide. Vegetarians will find served on the Skyland tables a great variety of vegetables, always fresh and fine. Five acres are planted alone in sweet corn, including the famous "Country Gentleman" and "Golden Bantam" varieties. There are endless beds of peas, string beans, lettuce, spring onions, radishes, leeks, savoy cabbage, carrots, turnips, white and sweet potatoes, parsnips, cucumbers, asparagus, beets, lima beans, tomatoes, cauliflower, brussels sprouts, egg plant, kohl-rabi, summer squash, and cymblings, besides several varieties of garden greens.



BATHING POOL, WHITE OAK CANYON, ABOUT THIRTY MINUTES' WALK FROM SKYLAND

The table has an abundance of milk and cream from a herd of tuberculin-The famous tested cows. Fox River creamery butter is used exclusively. Two very large farms in the vallev supply the table with chickens, Belgian hares, turkeys, and eggs. The ducks come from the famous Morgan Riverton Duck Farm not many miles away. The young lamb, fed on the mountain blue grass, is equal to English mutton, while fresh fish arrive every Friday from Chesapeake Bay. NO CANNED GOODS ARE USED ON THE TABLE. The fresh beef comes direct from Washington in cold-storage cars, and is much superior to country beef usually found at mountain resorts.

## Resident Physician

A PHYSICIAN WILL ALWAYS BE AT SKYLAND DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS AND WILL REMAIN UNTIL SEPTEMBER THIRTIETH.

## Comparisons of Altitude

Stony Man Peak is 4,031 feet above the level of the sea, and Skyland is situated on a plateau at an altitude of 3,600 feet. The following figures give the altitude of these prominent resorts: Cres-



son, Pa., on the crest of the Alleghanies, 2,300 feet; Asheville, N. C., 2,300 feet; the Hot Springs of Virginia, 2,500; Deer Park and Oakland, Md., 2,800; Brookside, West Va., 3,100; Rawley Springs, Va., 2,000 feet; Rockbridge Alum Springs, Va., 2,000 feet; Rock Enon Springs, Va., 1,100 feet.

MASSANUTTEN LODGE

## Laundry

The laundry work is done by families maintaining small laundries, and the prices are reasonable. Also those who prefer may send their work to Steam Laundry. Apply at the Skyland office for laundry lists. Bundles for steam laundry leave Skyland daily on the Camp express wagons.

## About Building Your Own Cottage

Desirable lots, with fine view of the valley, can be purchased for \$250.00. ALL LOTS ARE SOLD WITH A CLAUSE RE-STRICTING THE USE OF THE LOT TO THE EREC-TION THEREON OF A RUS-TIC BUNGALOW BUILT OF LOGS OR COVERED WITH BARK, FOR LODGING ONLY. AS HOUSEKEEPING IS NOT PERMITTED WITHIN THE PARK. A plat of Skyland, showing all lots for sale, can be had on appli-



"THE STUDIO," TWO-ROOM CABIN, SKYLAND

cation to Mr. Pollock. Numbers of cottages have already been built by private owners, all of whom are table boarders at Skyland.

Several desirable bungalows commanding nice views are now for sale at prices ranging from \$1,000.00 to \$3,500.00 and full information may be had by applying to the Skyland office.

## Early Spring and Late Fall at Skyland

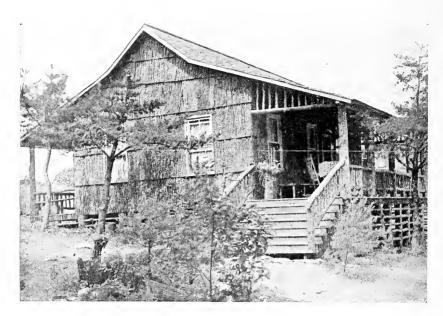
While the social and amusement features, including concerts and dances, continue from July 1st until September 25th, the spring and fall months have other attractions.

In May and June are wonderful displays of wild flowers and myriads of song birds. The mountain laurel and honeysuckles, violets and trillium are everywhere. It is a joy to be alive amidst such beautiful surroundings. All Skyland is busy after May 1st preparing for the busy summer. The mountain streams are full of water, the forests are more beautiful than at any other time.

In the fall there is the glorious autumn coloring which by October is beginning to show in the landscape. The crisp, invigorating air, the lovely sunshine days, and crackling open fires at night. Chestnut gathering, tramping and riding over the trails, besides the tennis courts. Yes, either spring or fall is ideal at Skyland. The saddle horses, of course, are always at Skyland and spring and fall are ideal times for riding, when it is cooler than in the summer months.



"GREY CONE" BUNGALOW-BACK



"PEAK VIEW," TYPICAL BARK-COVERED CABIN OR LODGE



LOG COTTAGE ON EDGE OF CLIFF, SKYLAND

## Fire-Wood at Skyland

Around Skyland are millions of cords of fire-wood; therefore the guest has a supply of oak, chestnut, and other fire-wood in abundance. This feature is one of Skyland's greatest attractions. There are 60 fireplaces and it takes 500 cords of wood each summer to supply them.

## Skyland for Brides and Grooms

In 1912 a young man and his bride wrote to Skyland for accommodations during early November, stating that they wished to come for their honeymoon, and would accept conditions as they found them. So much pleased were they with their visit that, through their influence, two other couples came the following May. In the same manner these two couples spoke to their friends and the following fall no less than six



OLD COPPER MINE ON SOUTH FACE OF STONY MAN

brides and grooms spent at least two weeks at Skyland. In this way the good word has been passed on until at the present time much of the spring and fall patronage consists of brides and grooms, together with other young couples who in previous seasons have enjoyed the quiet of these times and prefer to come then rather than during the busy summer season.

Each couple has the exclusive use of a cosy little cottage and the enjoyment of one's own fireside without the obtrusion of others. In the dining-room there are private tables provided, and the six-foot fireplace with its cheerful fire of logs makes the room most comfortable and cheery even on cold days.

The weather in the spring and fall is generally fine.

In the busy summer months it is seldom that two people can have an entire cottage for themselves, although it can sometimes be so arranged.

After October 15th it is necessary to shut off the water works, owing to the danger of a light freeze, which would burst the pipes, but each cottage is furnished, through the service of the chambermaids, with ample water supply, and the large iron kettle which hangs on the

crane of each fireplace furnishes a supply of hot water. So that while the convenience of a bath with running water can be enjoyed only until October 15th, still it is possible to be very comfortable beyond that date. Skyland will remain open each season until November 1st.

The charges for two people who desire the exclusive use of a cottage with bath after October 1st will be \$26.00 to \$30.00 each per week. In cottage without bath, but located with choice view, \$25.00 each per week is charged.



S. W. SOURS, SKYLAND'S MAIL CARRIER

These prices prevail also in the spring months up to June 1st. From June 1st to September 30th the regular summer rates as given elsewhere in this booklet. (See page 44.)

These prices include board, all the wood you wish for open fires, light and maid service, with no extras of any kind.

In the spring guests will be entertained after May 1st.

## Skyland for the Nature and Especially the Bird Lover

From the first of May until the latter part of June Skyland is the nesting place for thousands of American song birds. During the spring of 1916 a noted bird writer took a walk in the early morning from his cottage to the Stony Man Peak about a mile away, and on this walk he identified forty varieties of birds within a period of less than two hours.

There are nests everywhere. Often small birds BUILD under the eaves of the cottage you live in, and the air seems thrilled with their beautiful songs. There are robins, bluejays, chickadees, nuthatches, whippoorwills, swallows, phœbes, humming-birds, wood pewees, woodthrushes, catbirds, cedar-birds, many varieties of sparrows and finches, also the red-eyed vireo, the downy woodpecker, many varieties of warblers and wrens, the kingbird, the flicker, the red-headed woodpecker, the sapsucker, and many others.

To those who desire to make a study of the birds Skyland offers wonderful opportunities. If possible the guest should bring with him a pair of glasses and some good book on birds to be used for the pur-

pose of identification.

On June 1st, 1918, Mrs. John I. Northrop, of New York City, made a list of the birds which she observed at Skyland during a few weeks' sojourn; while during two weeks in May, 1919, a second list was prepared by Mrs. E. S. Gill, of Haddonfield, New Jersey, assisted by Miss Eugene Warren, of Greenwich, Conn., and Miss L. E. Howser, of New York City. The first lady's list consisted of fifty-five varieties, while the second list contained fifty-two varieties. The following is the combined list of sixty-eight varieties of birds. Guests who visit Skyland in May are requested to add to this list from time to time if they discover varieties which have not yet been listed. These birds all build their nests around the cottages at Skyland and in the immediate vicinity.

#### BIRD LIST

- Song Sparrow.
   Robin.
   Chewink.
- 4. House Wren. 5. Wood Thrush.
- 6. Junco. 7. Blue Jay.
- 8. Chipping Sparrow.
  9. Turkey Vulture.
  10. Brown Thrasher.
  11. Field Sparrow.
- 12. Barn Swallow.
- 13. Great Crested Flycatcher.
- 14. Oven Bird.
- 15. American Goldfinch.
  16. White-Breasted Nuthatch.
- 17. Red-Headed Woodpecker. 18. Wood Pewee.
- 19. Scarlet Tanager. 20. Whippoorwill.
- 21. Phoebe.
- 22. Olive-Backed Thrush.
- 23. Black-Throated Blue Warbler.
- 24. Veery.
- 25. Rose-Breasted Grosbeak. 26. Chestnut Sided Warbler.
- 27. Black and White Creeping War-
- 28. Catbird.
- 29. Downy Woodpecker.
- 30. Bluebird. 31. Red-Eyed Vireo.
- 32. White-Throated Sparrow.
- 33. Canadian Warbler.

- 34. Kentucky Warbler.
- 35. Mourning Dove.
- 36. Flicker.
- 37. Purple Grackle. 38. Chimney Swift.
- 39. Ruffled Grouse.
- 40. Tennessee Warbler.
- 41. Pine Warbler.
- 42. Cerulean Warbler.
- 43. Hooded Warbler. 44. Water Wagtail.
- 45. Yellow Warbler.
- 46. Mockingbird.
- 47. Quail. 48. Hoot Owl.
- 49. Blue-Headed Vireo.
- 50. Bewick Wren. 51. Hermit Thrush.
- 51. Hermit Thrush.
- 52. Indigo Bunting. 53. Solitary Vireo.
- 54. Yellow-Breasted Chat.
- 55. Redstart.
- 56. Black-Throated Green Warbler.
- 57. Louisiana Water Thrush. 58. Blackburnian Warbler.
- 59. Humming Bird.
- 60. Arcadian Fly Catcher.
- 61. Hairy Woodpecker.
- 62. Crow.
- 63. Buzzard. 64. Cedar Bird.
- 65. Cuckoo.
- 66. Screech Owl.
- 67. Rain Crow.

#### BLOSSOMING WILD FLOWERS AT SKYLAND

A list of the blossoming wild flowers discovered at Skyland by the two ladies last mentioned above, during May, 1919.

- 1. Shad Bush.
- 2. Wood Anemone.
- 3. Rude Anemone.

- 4. Early Saxifrage.
- 5. Foam Flower.
- 6. Larger White Trillium.

- 7. Golden Ragwort.
- 8. Yellow Lady's-slipper.
- 9. Black Mustard.
- 10. Dandelion.
- 11. Common Cinquefoil.
- 12. Wild Pink.
- 13. Common Blue Violet.
- 14. Bird's-foot Violet.
- 15. Bluet.
- 16. Early Everlasting.
- 17. Canada Violet.
- 18. Wild Geranium.
- 19. Iris Versicolor.
- 20. Maianthenum Canadense.
- 21. Huckleberry.
- 22. Redberried Elder.
- 23. Hawthorn.
- 24. Pink Moccasin Flower.
- 25. Yellow Violet. 26. Wood Betony.
- 27. Marsh Marigold.
- 28. Bellwort.

- 20. Moss Pink.
- 30. Jack-in-the-Pulpit.
- 31. Solomon's Seal.
- 32. Pink Azalea.
- 33. Bloodwort.
- 34. Wild Apple.
- 35. Strawberry.
- 36. Dogwood.
- 37. Purple Clematis.
- 38. Wild Sarsaparilla.
- 39. Painted Cup.
- 40. Winter Cress. +1. False Solomon's Seal.
- 42. Wild Cherry.
- 43. Wild Gooseberry.
- 44. Mitre Wort.
- 45. Wild Parsnip.
- 46. Smaller Yellow Lady's-slipper.
- 47. Wild Ginger.
- 48. Indian Cucumber Root.
- 49. Baneberry.
- 50. Choke Cherry.

## The Bathing and Swimming Pool

Another feature added to the attractions of Skyland is the Swimming Pool. This pool is four feet deep, sixty feet long, and twenty feet wide, and is located conveniently within a few moments' walk of the cottages and within the Skyland grounds, and is kept fresh with running water from the "Kaegey Spring." Guests furnishing their own suits and towels will be charged 15 cents for the privilege of use of the pool. Bathing Suits can be rented at moderate charges.



SHOWING A CORNER OF THE SKYLAND SWIMMING POOL.

## Boating, Swimming and Fishing Trips

Beginning with the spring of 1917 fishing and boating trips can be arranged for by guests at Skyland as follows: Leave Skyland any pleasant morning by horseback or carriage or on foot at 7:00 a. m., reaching foot of mountain in about forty-five minutes. Here the party will take an automobile and go direct to the Shenandoah River, which



HERE IS WHERE THE SKYLAND GUEST FISHES FOR BLACK BASS. WHILE
THERE IS NO FISHING RIGHT AROUND SKYLAND, A DELIGHTFUL TRIP
TO THE FISHING GROUNDS CAN BE MADE IN ONE HOUR AND A
HALF, GIVING SIX HOURS TO SPEND ON THE RIVER, RETURNING TO SKYLAND IN TIME FOR SUPPER

is reached in about fifty minutes. Here at a large farm-house on the bank of the river will be found boats, fishing bait suitable for bass fishing, and fine facilities for swimming. Dinner will be served at the farm-house at 1:00 o'clock—a big generous country dinner. After this the pleasures of the river may be again enjoyed until 5:00 o'clock in

the afternoon, when the automobile will start for Skyland. Skyland is reached in time for a late supper. Guests should make application at the office in the dining-hall for accommodations on such trips the



THE ABOVE STRING OF BASS WERE CAUGHT IN ABOUT FOUR HOURS, AND WEIGHED IN ALL TWENTY-THE LARGEST TWO WEIGHED EACH THREE AND ONE-HALF POUNDS, AND THEY WERE CAUGHT AT THE POINT IN THE SHENANDOAH RIVER VISITED BY SKYLAND GUESTS ON THEIR FISHING EXCURSIONS AND SHOWN IN THE ABOVE PICTURE. FOUR POUNDS.

evening before, in order that parties may be arranged. Bass fishing in the Shenandoah River at this point is excellent and the law permits fishing after July 14th. Charges for trip to river are as follows: Automobile from the foot of the mountain to Schuler's farm-house and

return, whether there be one or four in party, \$3.00 per hour; larger parties at same rate. Dinner at the farm-house, 75 cents. Those desiring to go swimming in the river can don their bathing suits at the farm-house, which is directly on the banks of the river. The trip up and down the mountain can be made on horseback or foot: Horseback, \$2.00 each way. The walk up and down the mountain, however, is a pleasant one and most people will take the trip on foot.

## Skyland for Hay Fever

Owing to the high altitude and the almost total absence of the ragweed, Skyland is being visited each season by a considerable number of people who want to escape Hay Fever. During the past season there were fifteen hay fever patients here, most of whom escaped all symptoms, while three or four had a slight touch only. Hay fever patients, therefore, may expect to be practically immune from this disease while living at the camp. There are a number of letters from guests living in Washington, Baltimore, St. Louis, Philadelphia, etc., in reference to the relief which they enjoyed at Skyland this summer from this trouble, which I will be glad to show to those interested. One of these letters from Mr. F. Van Brakle, of Washington, D. C., I have published among my testimonial letters in this booklet. (See page 65.)



A COTTAGE FACING NORTH WITH VALLEY VIEW FROM PORCH

## A Few Words About Dogs at Skyland

The only persons at Skyland who are permitted to bring dogs with them are those who take an entire cottage. Such dogs must be fed at the cottage and not at the dining-room. No dogs will be permitted which are a nuisance. After nine p. m., and before the bugle blows in the morning such dog owners must not allow their dogs to bark and disturb people under any circumstances. No dangerous dogs will be permitted under any conditions. Scraps for the feeding of dogs will be furnished from the kitchen at the rate of \$1.00 per week for each dog, or milk at 10 cents a quart, if desired.

## How to Reach Skyland

During the last two years there have been frequent changes in the schedule of trains on the Norfolk & Western Railroad; also in connecting trains of other railroads. The schedules given below are those prevailing on June 30th, 1919, and will probably hold during the entire summer, but guests should be sure to make inquiry at their local railroad station as to the schedule to make sure there has been no change.

The railroad station for guests coming to Skyland is at Luray, Virginia, on the Norfolk & Western Railroad. Full information and schedules of trains may be had by applying to either the Norfolk & Western, Pennsylvania, or Baltimore & Ohio Railroad ticket offices in various parts of the country. Schedules of trains from Baltimore, Washington, New York, Philadelphia, Richmond, and Norfolk for Luray, Virginia, are as follows:

## From Washington, D. C.

Trains leave Washington, D. C., via Baltimore & Ohio Railroad for Luray, every day at 3:10 p. m., arriving at Luray at 7:41 p. m. For those who do not wish to make the night trip upon arriving at the station at Luray the guest is taken to the Luray Hotel, without charge, by a bus that meets every train. Here the traveler must spend the night, starting the next morning in a comfortable carriage for Skyland.

The ride from Luray to the summit of Stony Man gives views of scenery which cannot be excelled anywhere in the Blue Ridge. To those who wish to take the trip up the mountain at night a new program has been arranged. By notifying the proprietor in advance of arrival, conveyances meet this evening train and convey guests directly to Skyland, arriving there about 10:30 p. m.

## From Baltimore, Maryland

Trains leave Baltimore daily by the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad to connect with the 3:10 train from Washington reaching Luray at 7:41

p. m. After arriving at Luray you follow the same instructions and schedule as given for passengers from Washington.

## From New York and Philadelphia

Leave New York City, Pennsylvania Station, at 9:05 p. m. (sleeping car). Same train leaves Harrisburg 4:45, Philadelphia, Broad Street Station, at 11.45 p. m. Arrive Luray the next forenoon at 10:55 a. m. Passengers coming to Skyland on this train should write in advance to the proprietor at Skyland, Virginia, who will arrange to have them met by a conveyance. Guests desiring to leave New York at 5 p. m. can reach Luray at 3:45 and be transported direct to Skyland, reaching there for breakfast. This train leaves Philadelphia at 7:10 p. m., Harrisburg 9:55, Hagerstown 12:40 and arrives at Luray 3:45 a. m. Due at Skyland at 6:30 a. m. The schedule for leaving Skyland for



SKYLAND STRING ORCHESTRA

#### NOTE

Guests will make application for transportation from Skyland to Luray at the Skyland Office the evening previous to departure, as vehicles have to come from Luray and time must be allowed for this trip.

connecting with train for New York or Philadelphia would be as follows: For passengers desiring to take the 11:30 p. m. train carrying through sleeper, carriages will leave Skyland at 7:30 p. m., reaching Luray at about 9:30 o'clock; for passengers desiring to get the 5:55 train in the afternoon, carriages will leave Skyland at 3:00 p. m.

Returning to Harrisburg, Philadelphia and New York, the best train is the 11:30 p. m. train which carries through sleeper arriving at Hagerstown 2:15 a. m., Harrisburg 4:32 a. m., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Railroad Station, North Philadelphia, 7:34, or Broad Street

Station at 7:48 a. m., arriving at New York 9:40 a. m.

Another train leaves Luray at 5:54 in the afternoon carrying a Pullman Chair Car and Buffet Dining arrangements; arrives Hagerstown 9:15 p. m. Here it is necessary to change, where you take the sleeper on the Pennsylvania for points North, leave Hagerstown at 9:45, Harrisburg 11:55, Philadelphia (Broad Street) 4:13 a. m., arriving New York 7:05 a. m.

A convenient way for guests to see the Luray Caverns when arriving on the 5:34 p. m. train is to take supper in Luray, visit the caverns in the evening, remain all night at Luray Hotel and get the morning 8

a. m. carriage for Skyland.

## Livery Charges 1919

#### TRANSPORTATION

Luray to Skyland and return: One passenger, alone, \$3.50, including hand bag and suit case; two passengers, \$3.00 each way, including hand bag and suit case; three passengers, \$2.50 each way, including hand bag and suit case; large trunks, \$1.35 each way; steamer trunks \$1.00 each way; small children not occupying seats no charge. Children occupying seats, full price. These prices apply to all passengers leaving Luray at the regular morning schedule time, which is from 8 to 8:30 a. m., also to passengers who wish transportation direct from the 10:55 a. m. train to Skyland. Returning apply to the regular schedule time for leaving Skyland which is at 3 p. m., or 7 p. m. Also to passengers visiting Caverns in the morning and going to Skyland after dinner.

#### NIGHT TRIPS TO SKYLAND

Occasionally guests desire to go direct to Skyland from the night train from Washington and Baltimore and from the early morning 3:45 train from New York and Philadelphia. In good weather this trip is quite feasible. The charge for transportation where carriage meets train are for one passenger, \$5.00, two passengers \$4.00 each, three passengers, \$3.00 each, and these prices include hand bag and suit case. These prices for night trips will also apply to guests desiring to leave Skyland in time to reach Luray for the 6:50 a. m. train for Washington, Baltimore, etc. Leave Skyland at 5 a. m.

Guests will please remember that almost every train carries several Skyland guests so that usually there are enough to make up a party and so secure the lowest transportation rates.

## SPECIAL WEEK-END TRIP FROM WASHINGTON TO SKYLAND AND LURAY CAVERNS

There are many new residents in Washington who have never visited the Luray Caverns or Skyland. For such, a very delightful week-end trip can be made at a total cost of \$25.00 per person, extending from Friday afternoon until Sunday night. The itinerary of the trip is as follows: Leave Washington at 3:10 p. m. for Luray, Va., arriving Luray at 8:30 p. m. At Luray the Mansion Inn automobile meets train, supper at Mansion Inn; after supper visit the wonderful Luray Caverns, spend night at the Inn. Saturday morning after breakfast carriage to Skyland 4,000 feet above the sea. Saturday afternoon and Sunday until after dinner at Skyland, leaving at 3:00 p. m. in time to take the 5:55 train for Washington arriving there 10:30 p. m. Parties wishing to make this trip should communicate with Skyland in advance to secure accommodations.

#### AUTOMOBILE TRIP FROM WASHINGTON

Takes one day and covers a distance of approximately 170 miles and is a delightful one. The route followed is—via Frederick, Md., Harper's Ferry, W. Va., Berryville, Va., Winchester, Va., New Market, Va., and Luray, Va., where car will be left at garage (storage \$1.00 per day) and the trip up the mountain is made by carriage.

#### AUTOMOBILE TRIP FROM NEW YORK, PHILADELPHIA, WILMINGTON, ETC.

The Capital Tours Association publishes a large map showing automobile route to Luray, Va., from all points in the east and these maps can be seen upon request at the following hotels: Hotel Astor and Hotel Plaza, New York City; Hotel Adelphia, Philadelphia; Hotel Dupont, Wilmington; Belvidere or Stafford, Baltimore; Continental, Raleigh or New Willard, Washington; The Jefferson, Richmond, Va.; Monticello, Norfolk, Va.; or by application by mail to G. Freeman Pollock, Skyland, Va.

Cars can be stored in garage at Luray (\$1.00 per day) and the trip up the mountain is by carriage.

#### Rates of Board

No apology is made for prices asked, as no comparison can be made between this unique and beautiful spot and its splendid table and the numerous other Virginia resorts, mostly located in hot valleys or, at best, on mountain sides at low altitudes. No reductions on the rates quoted can possibly be made. Skyland has already achieved the reputation of being the best high altitude mountain resort in this entire section, and this reputation cannot be maintained on a lower schedule of rates. The rates in any of the cottages or cabins located in the Camp Grove, and without bath, are from \$19.00 to \$23.00 a week, according to length of stay and number of persons in each cottage. The rates for

accommodations in any of the cabins or cottages located on "Furnace Field" or "The Cliff" or with north view, range from \$22.00 to \$24.00 per week, according to length of stay and number of persons in each cottage and location of cottage. These cottages are all desirable and either have the advantage of a nice view or a convenient location near the tennis courts or the dining room. two people desire a cottage entirely to themselves the prices range from \$19.50 each for a small cottage in the Grove to \$25.00 for cottages in choicer localities.

Rates in cottage, with bath, \$23.50, two in a room, to \$25.00 per week, single. The rates per day are \$3.75.

A few very choice locations are reserved for transient guests at \$4.50 per day or \$30.00 per week.

The proprietor of Skyland will be glad to correspond with all persons contemplating a visit and will give full information on any subject desired. Address



TWENTY MINUTES' WALK FROM THE DINING HALL ARE THE TOWERING CLIFFS OF "GLEN BEULAH"

all such communications at all times of the year to the proprietor, Mr. G. Freeman Pollock, Skyland, Page County, Virginia.

The above-quoted prices include everything—service, light, wood for fireplaces, cabin or room rent, and table board. All guests at Skyland get their meals at the rustic dining hall.

Hours for meals: Breakfast, 8 to 9:30 o'clock a.m.; dinner, 1 to 2 o'clock p. m.; supper, 6 to 7 o'clock p. m. Meal-time announced by bugle call.

All children under ten years of age, \$16.50 per week; over ten years, full price. Infants, the charge is only for milk used. Nurses and servants, \$18.50 a week at special tables. If at regular tables in the guests' dining-hall, full price.

Guests desiring to have meals served on trays and carried to their cottages may have this done at a charge of 25 cents for each tray.

# Charges to Cabin Owners and Renters for Table Board, Service, Etc.

Some guests each season rent entire furnished bungalows for the exclusive use of their families for the entire season. Others have purchased and own their own cottages. Still others sometimes occupy



JANE CORBIN, A FAMILIAR MOUNTAIN
FIGURE, 1N FRONT OF HER HOME
ON BROKEN-BACK RUN

Still others sometimes occupy rooms in cottages other than those belonging to the proprie-All of these get their meals at the general Dining Hall, as housekeeping on any scale is not permitted. Charges for table board are as follows: For table board alone, \$16.50 per week or \$3.00 per day. Children under ten vears. \$15.50 per week. Over ten vears, full rates. meals, breakfast or supper, \$1.00; dinner, \$1.25. If cottage owners desire the camp chambermaids to look after their cottages, the terms will be for the care of one cottage, \$3.25 per week. Firewood for privately owned or rented cottages will be furnished at a flat rate of \$3.50 for each fireplace a week, and this provides you with all the wood

you wish and includes the delivery of the wood on your porch ready to use and the services of the camp employees to make fires. The flat rate for wood during the cool months from September 15th to

Note.—Where a seat in the Dining Room is reserved for guests, whether they be adults or children, full rate of board will be charged at the regular weekly rate, same as is customary at all hotels, and no reduction will be made for meals not eaten.

No deductions made for vegetarians.

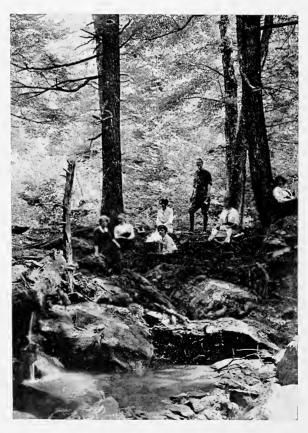
Luncheons for picnics and excursions 35 cents each.

November 15th will be \$6.00 per week in rented or privately owned cottages.

In addition to these charges for people renting furnished cottages there is a charge of seventy-five cents a week for each person for the laundering of bed linen and towels (formerly included in cottage rent).

Owners of bungalows who desire to use the camp water supply for bath or toilet purposes on their premises will be charged a water rent of \$15.00 per season (May 15th to October 1st) or for less than the full season \$5.00 per month. If more than one bath and toilet are in the house, the charge will be according to the number used. Each house having water installed must be provided with a water meter to indicate the amount of water used, and any amount above the average amount used in other houses will be charged for extra.

Every person owning a cottage at Skyland is expected to pay an annual caretaker's fee of \$12.00 for each cottage owned, which is a nec-



PICNIC GROUNDS AMONG THE HEMLOCKS AT SKYLAND

essary charge in order to protect the insurance companies. These companies insist that a caretaker be in charge, and policies are null and void in case of fire if such service is not provided. One caretaker is provided at Skyland, and only one, and no cottage will be sold to any one who refuses to pay this charge. If a cottage not in charge of the caretaker were to burn, it would cause, possibly, all insurance at Skyland to be canceled by the companies; hence such a cottage would be a menace to property owners. The caretaker lives at Skyland and never leaves his charge. A caretaker not living at Skyland would be worse than useless. Caretaker's fee is payable on October 1st, in advance, for the ensuing winter. Checks should be made payable to G. Freeman Pollock, proprietor. If owners of bungalows desire the camp water boys to deliver drinking water twice a day fresh from the "Furnace Spring" these water boys get for each house so supplied 75 cents per week.

Note.—Mr. Pollock cannot be held responsible for a supply of water for baths and toilets in private houses in case of an accident causing temporary delay in furnishing the same or in case of an unusual drought.

## Elevations from Luray, Va., to Stony Man Peak

Made by Mr. George H. Judd

#### BEGINNING OF ASCENT ON STONY MAN MOUNTAIN.

	Ft. above Luray.	Ft. above sea.
Prince Farm	355	1,177
Price's Farm	552	1,374
Water Trough at foot of mountain	832	1,654
Valley View	982	1,704
Cut off, lower end old Skyland road	1,285	2,107
Peak View	1,492	2,314
Cut off, upper end old Skyland road	1,552	2,374
Depot	1,582	2,404
Pine Level		2,854
Dead Tree Level	2,282	3,104
Gate to Skyland Park	2,532	3,35+
Furnace Spring	2,551	3,373
Sentinel Lodge Porch		3,504
Field—Tennis Court	2,732	3,554
Dining Room	2,757	3,579
Massanutton Lodge	2,804	3,626
Garden (20 acres)	2,832	3,654
Kagey Spring and Swimming Pool		3,604
Entrance Glen Beulah Path	2,985	3,807
Glen Beulah Plateau	3,075	3,897
Glen Beulah	2,985	3,807
Entrance Peak Path	3,060	3,882
Stony Man Peak (1/2 mile from dining hall)	3,206	4,028

## Ready Reference Routes to Skyland and the Luray Caverns

From New York, Philadelphia, Wilmington, Baltimore:

Via Royal Blue Line, Washington and Shenandoah Vallev Route. From Washington, Harper's Ferry, Cumberland, Wheeling, Pittsburgh:

Via Baltimore & Ohio R. R. and Shenandoah Valley Route.

From New Orleans, Meridian, Birmingham, Chattanooga, Knoxville:

Via Queen & Crescent Route, Southern Ry, and Shenandoah Valley Route. From Memphis, Corinth, Huntsville:

Via Southern Ry. and Shenandoah Valley Route.

From Richmond, Old Point Comfort, Fortress Monroe:

Via Chesapeake & Ohio Ry. and Shenandoah Valley Route.

From Cincinnati, Columbus, Ohio:

Via Norfolk & Western Ry., Shenandoah Valley Route. From Portsmouth, Ohio, Kenova, W. Va., Louisville, Ky.:

Via Norfolk & Western Rv., Shenandoah Vallev Route.

From New York, Philadelphia, Elmira, Williamsport, Harrisburg, Hagerstown: Via Pennsylvania R. R., Cumberland Valley R. R., and Shenandoah Valley Route.

From Jacksonville, Savannah, Charleston, Augusta, Columbus:

Via Atlantic Coast Line or Southern Rv., Chesapeake & Ohio Rv., and Shenandoah Valley Route.

From Atlanta, Charlotte, Danville, Lynchburg, Charlottesville:

Via Southern Ry., Chesapeake & Ohio Ry., and Shenandoah Valley Route.

Always inquire at your railroad station for latest schedule and connections for Luray, Va.

Guests coming to Skyland are requested when possible to NOTIFY THE PROPRIETOR A FEW DAYS IN ADVANCE.

Address all communications to G. Freeman Pollock, Proprietor, Skyland, Page County, Virginia.

Have your mail sent to Skyland, Page County, Virginia.

Have your express packages sent to LURAY, Page County, Virginia, care G. F. Pollock.

Have your telegrams addressed to Luray, Virginia (to be telephoned to Skyland).

#### RATES AT LURAY HOTEL

Guests arriving on 8:25 p. m. train from Washington, Baltimore, etc., can get supper after arrival in Luray and the hotel charge in room with bath including supper, lodging and breakfast is \$3.00 per person and in room without bath \$2.50 per person. Rates per day for guests remaining in Luray a longer period are \$3.50 per day in room with bath; in room without bath \$3.00 per day. Children under 10 years of age half price and children over 10 years full price.

## Pullman Vestibuled Sleepers and Coaches on All Through Trains

Excursion tickets are sold by all railroads and steamship lines to the Luray Caverns.

Straight one-way and Excursion Tickets allow stop-over at Luray within final limit.

The scenery through the "Shenandoah Valley" and adjacent to the Caverns of Luray is magnificent, and second to no other section in the world.

## The Luray Caverns

In Page County; one of the wonders of the world. The stalactitic display exceeds that of any other cavern known. No human tongue can properly convey to the mind of the reader their beauty—no pen can do them justice—no photograph or painting can give but a faint idea of these marvelous caverns.

They were discovered in 1878 by Andrew J. Campbell, near the village of Luray, in a valley about ten miles wide, between the Blue Ridge and Massanutton Mountain. Cave Hill, as it was called, is three hundred feet above sea level. In order to render these marvelous caverns accessible to visitors cement walks have been laid through them, stairways, bridges, and railings have been erected, and the entire subterranean palace is brilliantly illuminated by arc and incandescent electric lights.

## Terms of Admission to Luray Caverns

(	Open every day—including Sunday—all the year.	
	For each person, at 8:30 a. m. or 2 p. m	\$1.00
	For each person, at 7 p. m. or 9 p. m	1.50
	Regular Hours of Admission8:30 a. m., 2 p. m., 7 p. m., and 9	p. m.

Special Hours.—When admission is desired at other hours than above named, we will accommodate if guides are not all engaged. But the charge for admission will be 50 cents more for each person for Special Hours.

The Caverns are fitted with electric lights. But it costs as much to light them as to light the streets of a considerable town, because of the length of the tour. For parties of six or more making the tour in company, the electric lights, if desired, will be furnished without extra charge. But for parties numbering less than six, the Caverns will be shown by candles. If, however, such small parties desire electric lights they will be required to pay, besides price of admission, an extra charge as follows:

Electric Light for One Person	\$2.00	Extra
Electric Light for Two Persons	1.00	Each, Extra
Electric Light for Three or Four Persons	50c.	Each, Extra
Electric Light for Five Persons	25C.	Each, Extra

Tourists en route for Skyland can see the Luray Caverns on either the coming or going trip. If you reach Luray on the train arriving at 7.41 p. m. you can see the Caverns in the morning at 8:30 a. m., have your dinner in Luray

and start immediately for Skyland, arriving there in the early afternoon. Or visit the Caverns at 9 p. m. after having supper, leaving for Skyland immediately after breakfast next morning.

If you arrive on the train reaching Luray from the South at 10:55 a. m., it is best to visit the caverns that afternoon, before starting for Skyland, or on the return trip.

Guests desiring to see the Caverns on the return trip, leave Skyland at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, get lunch at the hotel in Luray, then drive directly to the caves, returning in ample time to get the 5:55 train, which makes connections for Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York, and the points north and west.

## "Skyland for the Moving-Picture Industry"

In the week of March 10, 1917, Miss Clara Kimball Young, the famous moving picture star, with a large party of directors and actors, spent several days at Skyland securing pictures for the film version of "The Easiest Way," a six-reel drama costing that company \$180,000, which will be shown throughout the world. This film shows scenes taken around the peak at Skyland, where it was intended to show scenery in Ute Pass, Colorado Springs, where the scenes are laid, in the original play, as it was staged by David Belasco, and made famous by Frances Starr. The scenery bears great resemblance to that in Ute Pass, and Miss Young's company were very much pleased with what they saw of the scenery, although the weather was bad, and they had little opportunity to get extended views or visit the near-by canyons, where the most beautiful scenery is found. However, the proprietor of Skyland wishes to call the attention of the directors of the various film companies to the fact that no more beautiful mountain scenery can be found in the East than that at Skyland; furthermore, the New York photographer can take the 5:30 p. m. train from New York and be at Skyland for breakfast in the morning, within 15 minutes' distance of just such scenes as he would need for almost any production the story of which is laid amidst the mountains. For further information those interested are referred to Miss Clara Kimball Young,, Mr. Albert Capellani, Mr. Edward Mortimer, Mr. Rockliffe Fellowes, and Frank C. Banks, all of New York City.

#### Letters in Evidence

In case the stranger in reading over this booklet should conclude that the proprietor is over-enthusiastic in his descriptions of the place and its advantages and attractions, he is asked to read the following letters which have been received from a number of those who have been there:

No. 1 Gramercy Park, New York City

October 1, 1915.

DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

The summer just passed is the third successive season which my family has

spent in your unique resort. The nature of my business causes me to do a great deal of traveling in this and foreign lands, and I can unqualifiedly say that the mountain and valley views as seen from Stony Man appeal to me more strongly than any other scenery I have ever viewed.

The arrangement of cottages, with a central dining hall, gives privacy and comfort and the rustic style of the cottages adds greatly to the appearance of the place. While primitive, they are comfortable, roomy, and with many conveniences. Your table, while simple, is wholesome and well served, and the service throughout the camp is all that could be desired. You have been fortunate, if not clever, in the selection of your guests, for one of the charms of the place is the genial, refined class of families which you always gather together. To those who are fond of being close to nature without its resultant inconveniences I can heartily recommend Stony Man. I can add no further or better recommendation than the fact that I have already written you to make arrangements for the same cottage for myself and family next season.

Wishing you success and with kind regards, believe me,

Yours faithfully,

W. G. SICKEL,

GOVERNOR'S ISLAND, N. Y., October 26, 1915.

MY DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

Having spent with my family several summers at Stony Man Mountain, I take pleasure in testifying to the many advantages which, in my estimation, it possesses as a summer resort, particularly for those who love the mountains. These advantages may be summed up under three heads:

First. The altitude of about 4,000 feet, with the pure, clear, crisp air, cool, invigorating, and delightful.

Second. The surroundings, with primeval forests of pine, hemlock, oak, chestnut, and other trees without number; the mountain peaks of Stony Man, Hawksbill, and "Old Rag" and the many trails leading thereto and to various other places of interest in the mountains, all of which are a source of delight to climbers and trampers or of quiet repose amid mountain forests to those who prefer it. And under this heading might be mentioned the famous Furnace Spring, which supplies the purest and softest of mountain waters. The cottages are quite distinctive of the place and admirably adapted for a summer sojourn in the mountains, and the central mess or dining hall, to which all go, furnishes a most acceptable cuisine.

Third. Accessibility: Luray, Va., the Norfolk & Western Railroad station, four and one-half hours from Washington, being nine miles distant from Stony Man, and the same station only a night's ride from New York.

All of these things combine to make Stony Man Mountain, to my mind, one of the most desirable summer resorts in the country.

Yours very truly,

HENRY P. BIRMINGHAM, Brigadier Generai, Medical Corps, U. S. Army.

## Dr. D. R. Perry Heaton,

## 17 Trinity Place, New Rochelle

October 26, 1915.

DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

As one of the very first to visit Skyland, and, with my father, to become a property owner, it gives me great pleasure to express my appreciation of the beauties of the place. The natural beauties of the place would warrant a much better description than I would be able to compose; the agreeable people, the character of the cuisine, the tennis, the long and short tramps to places of interest and beauty and the numerous social activities, all combine to make one's life at Stony Man most enjoyable.

As a physician I have seen the beneficial influence that the climate has had on many who have been in poor health. It is an ideal place to seek restoration of health.

Very sincerely yours,

D. R. PERRY HEATON, M. D.

Tulin, Dunham & Sisson, Attorneys and Counsellors at Law, 31 Nassau Street, New York.

October 8, 1915.

My Dear Mr. Pollock:

These crisp autumn evenings bring the call of Skyland, a summons that is almost irresistible. Necessity alone prevents my carrying out the intention to revisit Stony Man this fall.

As soon as Mrs. Sisson's friends, the honeysuckle, violet, trillium, and laurel, have been greeted by my cronies, the robust robin, the tuneful thrush, and old brother whippoorwill, who used somehow to work in his complaint between the pops and splutters on the hearth, let me know and we will join them above the clouds. Meanwhile extend to the mountain mules anticipatory sympathy in my behalf.

With kind regards to Mrs. Pollock and yourself I am, Very truly yours,

LEWIS E. SISSON.

"Three Hills," Warm Springs, Bath County, Va.

October 8, 1915.

MY DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

My sisters, my brother, and myself could not have had a happier summer than the one which we have spent at Skyland. The height, the mountain air, the wonderful views, the walks, the congenial people, the comfort, and picturesqueness of the place rest vividly in our minds.

We should be sorry, indeed, to think that we would never again see old Stony Man and Skyland. Instead we hope that, when occasion serves, we may be your guests again. Thank you for your unvarying kindness and courtesy and believe me with all good wishes,

Faithfully yours,

MARY JOHNSTON.

Annapolis, Maryland, October 12, 1915.

DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

I wish to tell you how glad I am to speak of Skyland in unmeasured terms. Such hospitality as both Mrs. Porter and myself received at your hands and Mrs. Pollock's will never be forgotten.

It will be worth while for any one who has not yet visited "Skyland" to go there at once, the scenery being very fine, to say nothing of your entertainments and fun each day; always something new ahead, of which we knew nothing until the time came, when we would enjoy some new novelty.

The great dining hall, good meals, music, and dancing, with the mountain trips, picnics, bonfires, I shall never forget, and would advise all who have not visited your ideal place to go there if they have any idea of having a fine summer. Your own personality alone will, I'm sure, cause them to return to the many other attractions of the place (Skyland).

With sincere regards to Mrs. Pollock and yourself both from myself and Mrs. Porter, believe me, Sincerely yours,

Theodorick Porter, Admiral, U. S. N.

St. John's College, President's Room.

Annapolis, Md., 28th September, 1915.

My DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

My family and myself have been coming to Skyland during the past ten years and have been so charmed with the attractions of the Stony Man that we decided, four years ago, to purchase a bungalow on the cliff overlooking the Shenandoah Valley as a permanent summer residence.

The excellent table, the delightful picnic parties, and entertainments provided under your able management, the general courtesy of all your employees, the pleasant social intercourse existing among your visitors and patrons, and, finally, the exhilarating air and impressive scenery of the mountains, all tend to establish the claim of Skyland to be the "Rustic Gem of the Blue Ridge."

The summer just passed has been one of the most pleasant of our long experience there. So much has been added year by year to promote the comfort of your guests.

With kind regards,

I am very truly yours,

THOMAS FELL,
President of St. John's College.

Hepburn, Dechert & Norris, Attorneys and Counsellors at Law, 803 West End Trust Bldg., South Penn. Square and Broad St.

PHILADELPHIA, October 25, 1915.

MY DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

I find it difficult to comply literally with your request for an expression of my personal opinion of Stony Man Camp without laying myself open to the charge of hyperbole upon the part of the uninitiated. Perhaps after all that opinion will be best evidenced by the mere statement of the fact that five years ago after two seasons at the camp we decided to build for ourselves a permanent summer home there, and each recurrent season since has furnished us with additional reasons for self-congratulation upon our decision. The place is really unique, and it is, I think, the only resort I have ever known where the customary glowing statements of "descriptive literature" appear actually conservative when compared with the reality. Could I say more?

Yours very truly,

C. J. HEPBURN.

Johns Hopkins University, Medical Department.

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND, October 5, 1915.

MY DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

It gives me, indeed, great pleasure to recommend Skyland as an ideal health and pleasure resort.

From a health viewpoint the location, altitude, and the wonderful mountain spring water from the famous "Furnace Spring" combine to make Skyland a resort surpassed by no other. The means of sanitation are most excellent and one can speak most highly of the cottage plan of living.

From a pleasure viewpoint the magnificent Blue Ridge Mountains, the Shenandoah Valley, all of which can be seen from the porches of many of the cottages, tennis, dances, bonfires, long mountain walks, etc., all constitute ideal forms of amusement.

A season spent at Skyland on Old Stony Man Mountain will be one long remembered, and it is a pleasure to enroll oneself among the many who have enjoyed its hospitality and its many attractions.

Sincerely yours.

H. C. BEAN, M. D., Skyland Resident Physician, 1915.

The Baltimore Gas Appliance and Manufacturing Co.
H. W. Hunter, President.

BALTIMORE, MD., October 4, 1915.

MY DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

Once again we are in the "stale flat" if not "unprofitable" valley after one

of the happiest of the eleven summers we've spent at Stony Man. There is certainly a subtle charm about the place that grows with each succeeding visit.

But to fully appreciate it one must live with those glorious mountains, breathe the tonic in the air, taste that pure, life-giving water and relax in the utter abandon and freedom of our cottage life. Only one utterly blasé could fail to find pleasure in the tramps through the mountains, along the picturesque streams, canyons, and by the rustic homes of the mountaineers. I often wonder why so many persons in quest of a restful, invigorating place in which to spend the summer will travel to the Maine woods and other remote resorts when they have this beautiful spot at their very doors.

I want to thank you for the many courtesies extended by you this summer to us and to our guests. The latter are most enthusiastic over their novel and varied experiences. The entertainments we thought the best ever. The bonfires, picnics, concerts, masquerade ball, flower show and the tennis tournaments were all great.

Hoping to be with you next and many more summers, believe me, Yours very sincerely,

H. W. Hunter, Tudor Hall, University Parkway, Baltimore, Md.

United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company.

BALTIMORE, MD., October 27, 1915.

DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

Much to my regret I have arrived home after an unusually pleasant trip to Skyland, and as this was my 19th year, it speaks for itself.

I have watched from year to year with the greatest interest the gradual growth from a few log cabins and tents to the present well-equipped, sanitary, up-to-date plant, and it is, indeed, an achievement to be proud of.

It has been my good fortune to have "sampled" quite a number of the Eastern summer resorts, seaside and mountain, and I am absolutely convinced that nowhere can one get the entire satisfaction, mentally, gastronomically, and physically, that exists at Skyland. The invigorating and bracing atmosphere, the commodious and comfortable cabins, the wonderful views, and excellent table form a combination that is unexcelled.

The pictures of the trip to Old Rag Mountain have just arrived and they bring back vividly the walk, making camp, cooking the meals, picking out a soft rock for a bed, the stories and songs around the big fire, and a thousand other incidents. It was certainly a unique experience and one that will live long in memory.

All of us are still talking about the wonderful meals. It is absolutely beyond my comprehension how it is possible, away up there on the mountain top, for you to secure the wide variety of appetizing and wholesome viands with which you tempt your guests. Each year I firmly resolve to walk strenuously, eat sparingly, and reduce. Each year I come back with two or three added pounds, but I feel like I could lick my weight in wildcats.

Another feature that is particularly attractive is the absolute informality and the delightful class of people one meets. Some of the happiest days I ever spent have been at old Skyland and I look forward to many more in the years to come.

With best wishes for your success, I am,

Very truly yours,

S. BLOUNT MASON, JR.

Edmund S. Dickey, Guilford Ave. & Saratoga St.

BALTIMORE, MD., October 13, 1915.

MY DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

Whenever a summer may come and go without my having the opportunity of visiting at Skyland I always have a feeling toward the close of the summer as though I have missed something from my usual summer vacation pleasures.

It has been my good fortune to have several visits in your admirable "Backto-Nature" resort and I do not know of any more delightful spot for any one who would wish to enjoy the pleasures of absolute untrammeled freedom in outdoor life under the most ideal conditions, free from social entanglements and unfettered by any necessity for the disagreeable summer-hotel dress parade.

Aside from the generally attractive and unique features of your summer colony, I cannot conceive of any individual who would not be wonderfully impressed with the morning and evening views at Stony Man camp. It is always a question in my mind whether the morning excels the evening or the evening the morning. To stand on the rocky ledge overlooking the valley in the early morning, with the clouds beneath you, and then to have these clouds rise and the mists disappear, showing patch by patch the unfolding of the Shenandoah Valley, is a wonderful sight. On the other hand, it is just as wonderful and possibly even more beautiful to stand on these same mountains on a summer evening looking across the broad expanse of the Shenandoah, with a full view of the wonderful sunset through the gaps of the Massanutton Range and the lights and shadows reflected on the far-off Alleghanies.

I can only express the hope I may have many additional privileges of viewing these wonderful scenes and enjoying the wonderfully beneficial conditions of your resort.

Very truly yours,

E. S. DICKEY.

CATONSVILLE, MARYLAND, November 1, 1915.

MY DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

The last two summers I have spent at your beautiful Skyland, and it is with pleasure that I can say I know of no mountain resort where I would prefer to go. Especially do I enjoy the beautiful concerts given several evenings of each week by your splendid orchestra.

The wonderful views we have from our cottage porches and when we take

walks around Skyland are exceptionally fine, and of course at that altitude the air is a splendid tonic.

Also the table is excellent, the vegetables being always from the Skyland garden, which in itself is quite a sight to see. Last, but not least, I wish to congratulate you on making your resort such a success, as is attested by the high class of your patronage, and to wish you further and greater success in the future.

If nothing unforeseen occurs I fully expect to be with you again next year.

Most sincerely yours,

JOSEPHINE E. LIVEZEY.

The Johns Hopkins Hospital.

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND, October 10, 1915.

DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

I regret very much that I was unable to spend my vacation at Skyland this summer. My experiences there both as resident physician and as guest have always been very pleasant, and I really know of no more delightful place in this part of the country either from the point of view of climate or of recreation.

With best wishes, believe me,

Very sincerely yours,

ARTHUR BLOOMFIELD,

Resident Physician at Skyland, Season, 1909.

Dr. Jas. M. Craighill,

The Walbert, 1800 N. Charles St.

BALTIMORE, MD., October 13, 1915.

My Dear Mr. Pollock:

My personal experience of "Skyland" proves to me there could be no more attractive spot for one looking for outdoor life. The bracing air and pure water and the excellent sanitary arrangements make it ideal.

If one adds to this the charming people and great variety of amusements provided for their entertainment it can readily be seen that once visited the desire to return is a strong one.

Yours truly,

JAS. M. CRAIGHILL, M. D.

The University Club.

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND, October 27, 1915.

DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

I am unwilling to allow my latest visit to "Skyland" to recede too far into the past without undertaking to tell you again how greatly I enjoyed my stay at that delectable spot and how genuine my affection for the place (as engendered by several visits) has become.

And incidentally this sense of affection has been greatly stimulated in the last few days by a longing to exchange this period of Indian summer and "the gritty paving stones" of town to the lot of any late Skyland visitor and be free to enjoy the glorious views, wonderful tramps, bracing air and open fires that go to make my own memories of early October there so alluring.

With the best wishes for a winter to your liking and with the pleasantest anticipations of our next reunion under the "Peak,"

Very cordially yours,

ALBERT H. BUCK.

### Eutaw Savings Bank of Baltimore

Frank G. Evans, Treasurer.

BALTIMORE, October 14, 1915.

MY DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

Now that the summer is over, I should like to write a word of thanks to you for your interest in the comfort and pleasure of myself and family while at Stony Man Camp.

You are to be congratulated upon being the owner of such a delightful and, I might add, unique place.

The drive up the mountain with occasional views of the valley and the continual changing of the clouds is glorious, and one can be enthusiastic in the retrospect.

I cannot find words adequate to express the pleasure derived from the other wonders to be found en route from Stony Man Camp to the Peak, Crescent Rock or White Oak Canvon.

Very truly yours,

FRANK G. EVANS.

HAVERFORD, PENNSYLVANIA, October 20, 1915.

MY DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

I wish to say that both my wife and I thoroughly enjoyed the six weeks that we spent at Stony Man Camp (Skyland) this summer and were greatly benefited.

You are certainly to be congratulated upon having built up such a resort; its altitude, insuring comfort even during the hottest weather; the superb views, which I consider the finest in Virginia; the combination of cottages, with a central dining hall, giving privacy and at the same time saving the trouble of housekeeping; the various walks; the numerous amusements which you provide, all combine to make it unique.

The bracing quality of the air enables one to take an amount of physical exercise in the way of walking, tennis, etc., which would be impossible for the average person at a lower altitude. This, I am sure, is one reason why almost every

one improves in health while at Skyland. I can say that in no place in America has my wife improved so much in so short a time. In conclusion I wish to thank you for the many kindnesses shown us and for the excellent care that my horse received. We hope to spend a large part of next summer at your resort.

Faithfully yours,

LEGH W. REID,

Professor of Mathematics at Haverford College.

"Ivon."

LEESBURG, VA., October 14, 1915.

DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

The six weeks I spent at Stony Man (Skyland) last summer were among the happiest of my life.

I suppose there may be some people who would not like Skyland, but I doubt it; but every one worth while must like it, because all the things that are most worth while are there.

Yours very sincerely,

SARAH CHICHESTER PAGE.

Central Trust Company.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., October 12, 1915.

DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

My short stay at Stony Man Mountain only served to make me look forward with great pleasure to next year, when Mrs. Burdette and I hope again to be numbered among your guests. I cannot conceive of a more delightful place to spend the hot summer months than at your pleasant mountain resort. Mrs. Burdette and I both regret that we were unable to stay longer.

With kindest regards to you and Mrs. Pollock, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

EDWARD M. BURDETTE.

The Virginia National Bank of Norfolk.

NORFOLK, VA., October 13, 1915.

DEAR SIR:

Skyland is a place that has to be seen to be appreciated. Few people who have not visited the spot realize what a beautiful resort exists on Stony Man Mountain.

One of the greatest charms of the place is your ability to raise fresh vegetables for your table at such an altitude.

I will never be satisfied until I make a second visit to Skyland.

With kind personal regards, I beg to remain,

Yours very truly,

HUGH G. WHITEHEAD.

# E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Company.

Office of C. B. Landis.

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE, October 12, 1915.

My Dear Pollock:

I was delighted with my sojourn at Skyland. Your accommodations were a genuine surprise, your air was a tonic, and the view one gets from Stony Man is absolutely incomparable. I shall never forget the visits I paid to the cabins of those mountaineers. There are great types up in those mountains and some day a writer will put them in a book. It was an interesting revelation to me. I regret that I am not free to spend one continuous, uninterrupted year with you at Skyland, as every month must have its own varied charm and beauty. Above all I want to congratulate you on the people you bring to Skyland. Acquaintances made and friendships formed there are really worth while.

Sincerely yours,

C. B. LANDIS.

712 W. Main Avenue.

KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, October 14, 1915.

DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

My stay at Skyland last summer was delightful in every respect. The scenery is superb; there is none finer, I believe, in the whole Appalachian Range. The numbers of interesting walks in the neighborhood are practically unlimited and the company exceptionally agreeable. I was, moreover, thoroughly comfortable in respect to both room and board.

I will add that your own spirit and energy would suffice to put life into any place, even where the conditions are much less favorable than at Skyland.

With best wishes I remain,

Yours sincerely,

J. Douglas Bruce, Professor at the University of Tennessee.

The Washington Times.

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 23, 1915.

MY DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

I want you to know how very much Mrs. Walker and I have enjoyed our stay at Skyland.

For many years we spent our summers among the beauties of the White Mountains, but we never found there either accommodations more satisfactory or scenery more delightful than we have enjoyed this summer on the heights of Stony Man.

I am,

Yours very truly,

F. A. WALKER, General Manager. 1626 Rhode Island Ave., N. W.

WASHINGTON, D. C., October 23, 1915.

DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

Our three weeks at your beautiful "Skyland" was most restful and delightful and we hope to return when the press of affairs becomes too irksome, for to sit and watch the beauty of great distances with ever-changing light is soul satisfying.

Yours sincerely,

ALICE HEMMICK.

E. F. Droop & Sons Co.

Pianos and Music

WASHINGTON, D. C., September 27, 1915.

MY DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

It is really a great pleasure for me to tell you again how delighted we are and have always been with our many visits to dear old "Stony Man." This year I celebrated the twenty-first anniversary of my first visit to Skyland, and in all this time I have never yet found a place where I could enjoy the great out-of-doors as I do there.

The almost constant life in the fresh air, together with the fine water, wholesome food, and comfortable sleeping quarters have resulted in fortifying my family with the best of health, and in my judgment have done more than anything else to keep the doctor from our door!

You may rest assured that whenever we can so arrange it we shall spend our summers with you.

Wishing you continued success and prosperity, I remain, with sincere good wishes,

Faithfully yours,

E. H. DROOP.

Kennedy Bros., Inc., Builders.

WASHINGTON, D. C., October 25, 1915.

DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

I cannot refrain from writing you so you will know what I think of Skyland as a summer resort and the high standard of excellence maintained by the management. For those who are fond of the mountains a more delightful place could hardly be found.

Yours very truly,

WM. M. KENNEDY.

"Hammond Court."

Washington, D. C.

MY DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

To my mind one of the most delightful features of Stony Man Camp is that

it is a summer colony of homes where each family is a unit and every cabin with its porch, pleasant living room, and beguiling fireplace becomes your home just as soon as you hang your hat on its peg and distribute your few lares and penates, not a room in an hostlery or a lodging for a night, but your home.

You can then be as solitary as you desire or as sociable as your living room permits. The old New England expression of "visiting" applies here aptly. Friends drop in and visit with you, not the "call" of the city, with formality and good clothes, but for a good chat, a swapping of ideas or a game of cards. If a cigar is a "great unbosomer of secrets," as genial Thackeray says, how much more so is a good wood fire, with time a negligible quantity and cares relegated to the realm of the forgotten.

Very cordially yours,

WM. BALLANTYNE, JR.

1359 Columbia Road, Washington, D. C.

October 20, 1915.

MY DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

I thought I would let you know that I often commend Skyland to any one looking for an unexcelled summer climate and beautiful scenery, and with what pleasure I call to mind the picturesque and comfortable bark-covered cottages so arranged that the majority of them command a view that is unendingly lovely through all the changes of the day and both spectacular and gorgeous during a storm; of the miles of delightful walks in all directions and the entertainments of various kinds, the like of which are found nowhere else. The music is far above the average and the concerts, which take place several times a week, constitute one of the charming features of the place.

I have made many delightful friends at Skyland and expect to spend the summer there whenever my proximity permits.

Wishing you every success in your wonderful work of developing the place, I am,

Very truly yours,

JULIE C. KENLY.

Marlborough-Blenheim,

Atlantic City, N. J.

October 14, 1915.

DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

I am dropping you these few lines to tell you how much Mrs. Richmond and myself enjoyed our visit to Skyland.

You certainly have a most charming place, the view and scenery from Skyland being most attractive, and I shall take great pleasure in recommending Skyland and its proprietor to my friends.

Wishing you continued success, I beg to remain, with kindest regards, Yours very truly,

H. Bradford Richmond,

Chief Clerk.

# Edward Bridge Danson,

# Cincinnati, Ohio.

October 27, 1915.

MY DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

I am glad to have Skyland recalled to my mind. Mrs. Danson and I very often speak of the very pleasant and happy summer we spent at Skyland, and we often express the intention of spending another summer with you in the very near future.

Skyland, to my mind, is one of the most fascinating and unique places that it ever was my good fortune to visit. Looking over the beautiful Shenandoah Valley and being four thousand feet above sea-level, it combines the most desirable pure air with all the natural beauty, and we have always spoken in most complimentary terms of you, sir, and your provision for the comfort of your guests.

I recommended some people at Philadelphia, in the early spring, to spend the summer with you, but I do not know whether they took advantage of the knowledge, but I shall always advise people who are looking for mountain air to go to Skyland.

With very kind personal regards to yourself and Mrs. Pollock, I am, Yours very truly,

E. B. Danson.

P. S.—Pardon me if I recall the banquet given by the officers of the steamship Skyland to the visiting naval officers. It was one of the most enjoyable affairs I ever attended. E. B. D.

The Robert Mitchell Furniture Co.

CINCINNATI, O., October 29, 1915.

My DEAR POLLOCK:

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I look back to the summer we spent at Skyland. Mrs. Mitchell and I have often spoken of the delightful atmosphere of the place, the wonderful views and fascinating walks. It is a great place for children, and we hope some day to be able to spend another summer at Skyland.

With kind regards to Mrs. Pollock and yourself, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

ROBERT MITCHELL.

FORT SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS, November 16.

MY DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

You may be very sure I was glad to hear from you after your long silence. But even though we had not heard from you, the Ireland family had not forgotten your glorious mountain place. During my three years' tour of duty in the Philippine Islands, which just terminated last August, we frequently referred

to the four pleasant summers we spent at "Skyland." The beautiful location, with a pure water supply; the rustic homes; the central dining room, which relieves every one from the cares of housekeeping; the attractive walks, the primeval forests, the unique entertainments, and the perfect climate make your resort one of the most attractive in the vicinity of the eastern cities. I know from some of our old friends that you have made many improvements since we were there. I sincerely trust that the wheel of fortune will so order our future that we will be able to spend our summers with you in years to come.

Mrs. Ireland joins me in cordial best wishes to you and Mrs. Pollock.

Very sincerely yours,

M. W. IRELAND.

Major General-Surgeon General of U. S. Army.

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE, February 10, 1916.

My Dear Mr. Pollock:

Mrs. Sheward and my children spent another delightful summer with you, and I enjoyed a few trips to your resort during their stay. It is my experience that the cool and bracing air, combined with the congenial and easy-going social atmosphere of an ideal cabin life, stamps Stony Man as a beneficial, health-restoring summer resort.

Your music and other entertainments afforded your guests were of the highest order we could expect. The long mountain walks to many peaks, following the virgin trails, presumably paths of the Indians, afford grand views and interesting trips. Even in summer it is surprising the desire and endurance one has for climbing. My children enjoy every day of the summer in those grand old mountains, returning home stronger physically for the tramping, tennis, swimming, and outdoor life.

If any one wants to go and dress as you please for comfort, you certainly have the ideal resort.

Yours sincerely,

CALEB M. SHEWARD.

The Annapolis Savings Institution,

15 West Street

Annapolis, Md., November 20, 1915.

DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

We often think of our visit to Skyland and your kindness and hospitality. It is indeed a most wonderful place. The cool, bracing climate and situation speak for themselves. The independence of the cottage life is a particularly attractive feature. I frankly admit I have never been at a place where more was done for the pleasure of the guests.

With best wishes for your continued success and kind regards to Mrs. Pollock, I am,

Yours very truly,

SAMUEL BROOKE, JR.

My DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

Your letter of October 11 was received only to-day, on my return from a trip to California, and I am sorry I could not send you a letter, which I would have been glad to do, with regard to my short visit to Skyland. It certainly is a place where one can get rest and health, with the most delightful surroundings.

Wishing you success, I beg to remain,

Very truly yours,

B. N. BAKER.

Knight, Thompson & Turner,

Tampa, Florida.

September 30, 1916.

Mr. G. Freeman Pollock,

Skyland, Va.

MY DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

We arrived home to-day and I must tell you that all the way my wife and I kept talking about how nice Skyland is and what a nice class of people you have there. Although we have both told you we enjoyed ourselves every minute we were there, yet we feel that we want to put our expressions in permanent form, hence this letter. Neither of us have had a vacation in years that we enjoyed as much as the one we spent at Skyland, and we both appreciate to the fullest your kindness and attention while we were your guests.

Sincerely yours,

A. G. TURNER.

### War Department,

Office of the Chief of Engineers,

Washington.

September 29, 1916.

Mr. G. Freeman Pollock.

Skyland, Va.

My DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

I write to suggest that you add to the list of Skyland's attractions a statement as to the benefit which a victim of hay fever may expect to find there. Mrs. Van Brakle has long been subject to that malady, but escaped its attack this season through her sojourn at Stony Man Camp. We attribute this benefit to the combined effect of elevation and almost complete absence of rag weed. It is suggested that your people be instructed to uproot rag weed on sight.

And Skyland has many other very real charms and satisfactions.

Yours very truly,

F. VAN BRAKLE.

# American Society of Civil Engineers Founded 1852

33 West 39th Street,

New York, N. Y., June 16, 1919.

Mr. G. Freeman Pollock,
Skyland, Va.

MY DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

This is my first opportunity to write you what a wonderful time Mrs. Rudolph and I had during our stay at Skyland. We will not soon forget the wonderful surroundings, table, country, trails, nor above all the superlative atmosphere of Stony Man, and we certainly did enjoy our great little cottage.

We found the roads as good on our return trip as on the way down. I should think you'd have a lot of motorists, for the roads in Maryland, West Virginia and Virginia which we struck were as good as New England's and the scenery and battle-field country even more interesting.

We stopped off to see Bushkill Falls, termed the Niagara of Pennsylvania, on our way back. Frankly we liked White Oak a lot better. There seems to be something wild and untamed about that old canyon and I'll not be satisfied until I've had a chance to follow it down to the very bottom. We'll be back with you again one of these days.

Meanwhile, thank you for taking such mighty good care of us, and best wishes to Mrs. Pollock. Sincerely,

(Signed) WM. E. RUDOLPH.

# H. F. Mackintosh & Company 82 Richmond Street

EAST TORONTO, CANADA, July 20, 1919.

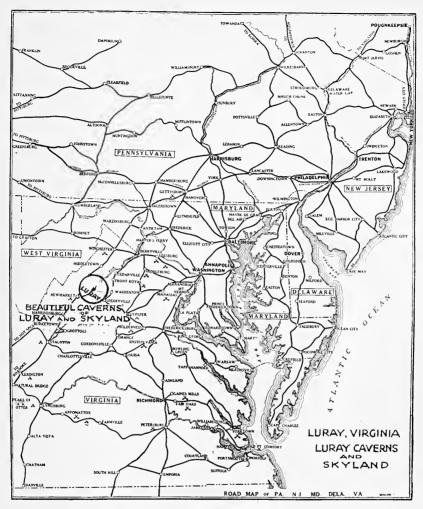
MY DEAR MR. POLLOCK:

I am delighted to have an opportunity to write you a letter speaking of the wonderful horses that you have in your mountain livery stable at Skyland. While I could spend considerable time in describing to you the impressions of the beautiful scenery, the perfect climate of Skyland, and the many other attractions of your unique and unusual resort, still as you have asked me particularly to speak of the horses I will do so. Most of the horses in your livery have been trained around the mountain trails at Skyland so as mountain horses they could not be excelled. It seems that no other horses I have ever seen have been so sure-footed and safe for any one to ride as are your wonderful saddlers. Besides being safe and gentle, they have plenty of pep, are fine-looking and have been selected because of their comfortable gaits under the saddle. They hardly know what it is to trot and have the natural gaits which make riding a pleasure and comfort. I have heard many people enthuse over them and am sure that one would have a hard time to find a more advantageous spot for indulging in the delightful pastime of riding.

Hoping that in future seasons I shall again enjoy the pleasures of Skyland life, I am,

Most sincerely yours,

N. MACKINTOSH.



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The route followed in coming by automobile from Washington to Luray is: via Frederick, Md., Harpers Ferry, W. Va., Berryville, Va., Winchester, Va., Newmarket, Va. Up to this point, having followed the Valley Pike from Winchester, the route changes and crosses the Massanutton Mountain to Luray, where the car is left at the garage and conveyance taken to Skyland.

For description of roads, see testimonial letter on page 66.

The run from Washington to Luray of 170 miles is a delightful one and takes but one day.

# A Few of Skyland's Many Patrons

The register shows that up to the present time over 8,000 people have visited Skyland. It would require a volume to give a complete list, so a few only are enumerated, and it is with much pride that the proprietor refers to them. Most of these selected have telephones in their homes and places of business.

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The trout which may be taken in White Oak Run are not large, but frequently specimens are taken weighing up to one pound. The best season for trout-fishing is during May and early June.

Usually once a week Mr. Pollock takes a personally conducted party of horseback riders on an all-day ride, dinner being ordered ahead at the mountaineers' homes; said dinners being very fine and the whole trip giving a unique experience. The cost of these trips, including special dinner, riding horse for all day, services of attendant and so forth, is about \$6.00. The various points to be visited on these rides are:

Mary's Rock Mountain, distant 15 miles.

Nethers Mill, distant 10 miles.

Big Meadows Ranch, distant 10 miles.

Donovans, on the Gordonsville Pike, distant 12 miles.

Schulers Ford, on Shenandoah River at foot of Massanutton Mountain, distant 14 miles.

Henderson Weekly's Ranch at Syria, distant 14 miles.

Sperryville, distant 18 miles.

To those who would like to have dinner in a mountaineer's home but who do not wish to ride so far there is a beautiful ride to Dyer's Mountain Farm—distant only five miles—where dinner can be obtained if desired.

At the Skyland office may be obtained a map which indicates the walks and trails around Skyland for fifteen or twenty miles in all directions.

For those who desire to participate in the Indian Powwow arrangements can be made at the Skyland office for obtaining complete costumes and all who desire to take part in this performance are urged to make application for the same about August 15th, as these costumes are obtained in New York and Philadelphia and must be engaged in advance.

For the Masquerade Ball the simplest kind of homemade costume will suffice, but for those who prefer to wear costumes without the trouble of making up the same, costumes for any character may be obtained by applying to the costume office a week in advance

of the ball.

For the children there are kept at Skyland from June 1st to October 1st a number of well-broken, gentle ponies—the rental for which is \$1.00 for a forenoon or afternoon's ride.

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Many ladies and gentlemen coming to Skyland who have never before been upon a horse are invited to try the Skyland horses; for these a number of riding suits, both for ladies and gentlemen, are kept on hand and may be used for a small rental. No matter how timid you are you should try these Skyland horses. During the past four years, since the livery stable was established, many inexperienced persons have learned to ride and the record of the livery has not an accident of any kind up to the present date (August, 1919). The horses being gentle and very sure-footed and well gaited do not make the riders sore as the ordinary horse does. An experienced riding teacher is in charge of the livery and where guests desire him to accompany them on their first rides, no charge is made for his services; the only charge being for the use of the horse.

# DON'T FORGET THAT IT IS MOST IMPORTANT TO ENGAGE YOUR ACCOMMODATIONS AT SKYLAND IN ADVANCE, IF POSSIBLE, AS MANY ARE DISAPPOINTED IN JULY AND AUGUST BY NOT MAKING RESERVATIONS.

Skyland does not have an unusual amount of fog and rain as many mountain resorts do. It is perfectly safe to calculate that the weather is cloudy and that there is rain at Skyland at the same time that the same weather prevails in localities within several hundred miles. As soon as the weather becomes clear in the valleys it immediately clears up at Skyland and oftentimes when there are storms prevailing in the valleys it is clear and beautiful at Skyland.

Guests are requested to place their money and jewelry in the Skyland safe upon arrival. The management will not be responsible for losses of valuables which are not so deposited.

ALL GUESTS ARE REQUESTED TO NOTIFY THE SKYLAND OFFICE A DAY IN ADVANCE OF THE TIME OF THEIR DEPARTURE IN ORDER THAT ARRANGEMENTS MAY BE MADE FOR THEIR TRANSPORTATION. Nearly every day vehicles are leaving Skyland which have brought up guests from the valley, but transportation will not be guaranteed unless application for vehicles is made the evening before departure.

# $\frac{\textit{Don't}}{\textit{Forget}}$

- A very convenient thing to bring to Skyland is an electric torchlight, such as can be purchased anywhere from 75c to \$1.50.
- Don't forget your umbrella and a pair of rubbers and, if coming for any length of time, a sweater for cool days.
- Also don't forget to bring your bathing suit for use at the Skyland pool.
- A circulating library is maintained and books may be obtained upon application.
- If you are in New York City and wish a Skyland booklet call at the BERTHA RUFFNER RESORT BUREAU, 1270 Broadway (at 33d Street—Wilson Building, Room 210).

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